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How West Sac scored its ballots:

A contentious presidential race (too close to call as the News-Ledger went to press last night) helped bring about a large voter turnout yesterday.

Here are the early and unofficial results on how West Sacramento voters made their choices on local races yesterday. The incumbents have stars behind their names. In the city races, 12 of 19 precincts (63.1%) of the precincts reported. In the school board race, 14 of 21 (66.6%) reported.

For Mayor:

Christopher Cabaldon*	4,984	67.1%
Tom Martin	2,443	32.8%

For City Council (2 elected)

William 'Bill' Kristoff*	4,080	31.4%
Oscar E. Villegas*	3,580	27.6%
Mark P. Montemayor*	2,950	22.7%
John Vinson	1,658	12.7%
Charles 'Carlito' Sano	696	5.3%

School Board (3 elected)

Mary Leland	3,115	17.1%
Barry D. Kalar	2,770	15.2%
Evelyn 'Irene' Eklund*	2,407	13.2%
Dave Westin	2,403	13.1%
Raymond Martinez	1,654	9.0%
Karl Machschefes*	1,482	8.1%
Richard Novoa	1,476	8.1%
Nina Semeryuk	1,235	6.7%
Sally A. Hasson	1,202	6.5%
Paul Yu-Yang	471	2.5%

NOTE: At press time, margin between Eklund/Westin was too close to call for third seat on governing board

Measure T
(to raise the hotel/motel tax)

YES	5,133	66.6%
NO	2,563	33.3%

Turnout: not yet available

Police search for hit-and-run driver

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

A child was seriously injured yesterday in a hit-and-run accident near Lisbon Avenue and Yolo Street in West Sacramento's north area. Details were still scant as the News-Ledger went to press last evening.

"The vehicle took of as the child was still in the street bleeding from the head," said Lieutenant David Farmer of the West Sacramento Police Department of the 4:15 p.m. accident.

Sgt. Ed Hensley said yesterday evening that the boy, possibly age seven, "has some pretty serious injuries."

"He's got some chest injuries and a closed head injury," said Hensley.

Police are having trouble finding a witness. The boy reportedly told his mother that he was hit by an ice cream truck, but Hensley said the accuracy of this is unclear. Police yesterday were following up leads on possible vehicles that may have been involved.

Anyone with information is asked to call the police department at 372-2461.

Port of Sacto: cash may run out sooner

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

The Port of Sacramento's new interim chief executive told the port's governing commission on Monday that the facility may run out of money before next fall. A land transaction involving the City of West Sacramento was intended generate enough cash to carry the facility until then.

"You're all aware the port is running at a financial deficit," said Andrew Belknap, interim C.E.O, of the cash flow problem. "It's a serious deadline – maybe even August or earlier now."

The projection followed a staff report saying that the facility had lost about $219,000 in August. Expected shipping tonnage didn't fully materialize, making for most of the difference in a month that port staff had expected to generate a small profit.

Meanwhile, West Sacramento, the port and officials on both sides of the river continue work on a new master plan and land use plan for the West Sacramento facility. Belknap warned that the port's governing board might have to take more emergency actions, though, before those planning processes are complete.

"It would be nice to let the master plan process run to completion, and then come back with an operational plan to match up with that plan, but I fear being overtaken by events," he said.

Belknap suggested that the port might try to squeeze out some more cost-cutting measures, find new revenues or sell off some land to raise money and buy time.

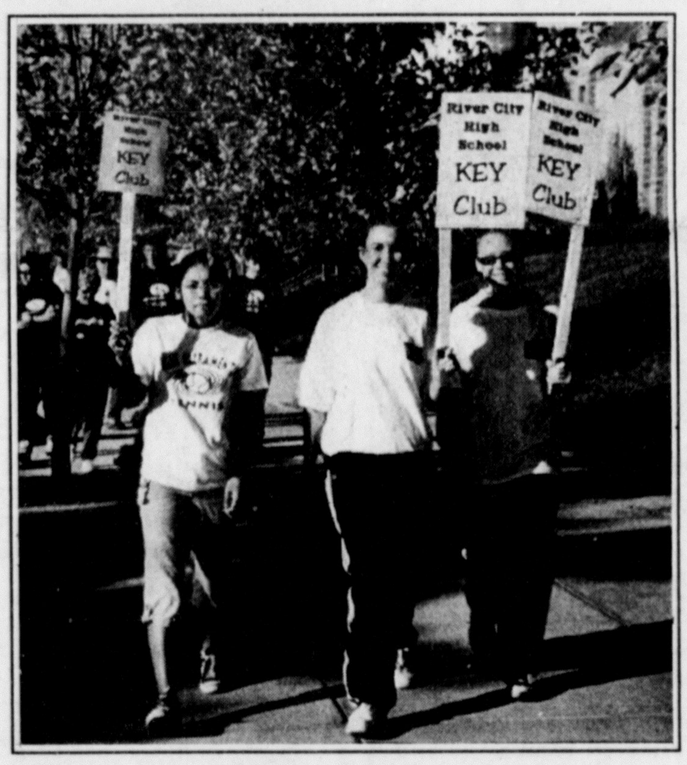
"The biggest short-term strategy for the port would be one-time moneys, probably from the sale of property determined to be surplus to the port," said Belknap. He added that he hoped to have a short-term strategy in front of the port's governing board in January. He intended to inventory port land, look at "financing vehicles" and search for operational changes that could become a part of that plan.

Mayor Christopher Cabaldon of West Sacramento sits on the port's governing commission, along with Sacramento Mayor Heather Fargo and others. Cabaldon warned that a rush to sell property – much of which could be in West Sacramento – could be dangerous.

"We should be careful not to move quickly, particularly on land transactions," said Cabaldon, adding that he was confident the cities and counties that run the port can find some "bridge financing" if needed. "I don't want to dispose of a lot of land just to make sure we stay in business another six months."

West Sacramento City Council member Mark Montemayor, also a port commissioner, warned that any land sales ought to conducted in a very organized manner. He alluded to a local developer's unsolicited offer to buy hundreds of acres of port property during a commission meeting earlier this year.

Stepping up for Special Olympics



Pictured from left to right are River City High School students Vu Tran, Brittaney Crane and Tracey Davis, all officers of the school's Key Club, as they walk in the recently held Special Olympics Walk. It was the Key Club's first event of the year and its members raised $225 for Special Olympics.

"We're very excited to have the Key Club up and running again at the high school," said River City teacher Chris Allan, the club's new advisor, "and Special Olympics is a wonderful organization for our students to assist."

The 5K, 3.5 mile walk went from Raley Field in West Sacramento to the Crocker Museum in Sacramento and then to Old Sacramento.

Ahead in local government

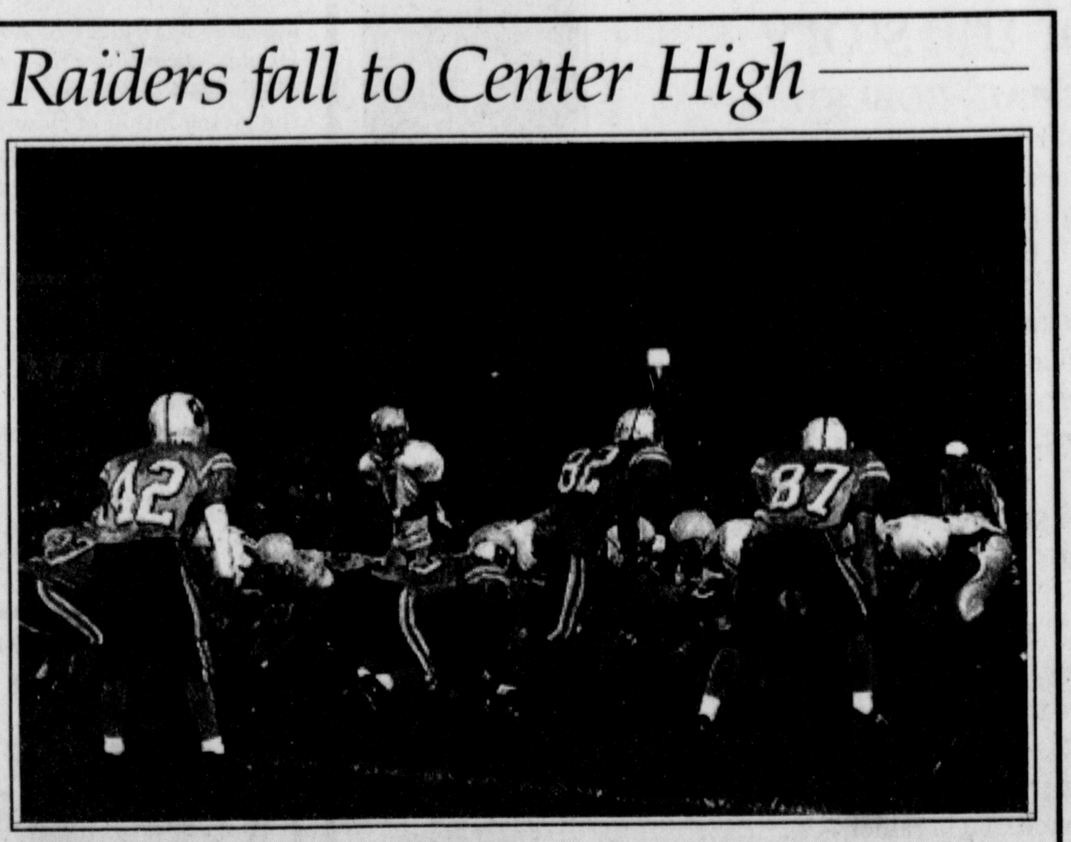
The **West Sacramento City Council** will meet in public session at 7 p.m. tonight at the civic center, 1110 West Capitol Avenue.

Among the agenda items are various proclamations; a presentation on Brownfield Assessment Grant Applications; approval of a Riverside Parkway parcel map; acceptance of public improvements at Bridgeway Lakes; consideration of an affordable housing agreement for Riva Condominiums near South River Road and Linden Road; a subdivision map for Riva Condominiums; final map approval for Lindenwood 1 and 2; city purchase of 2925 Ramco Street for a new corporation yard; negotiation with a developer partner to develop city-owned property on Tower Court; emergency authority for the city manager to deal with the "emergency" of conditions at the 15th Street fire station; and other items.

The **West Sacramento Planning Commission** will meet at 6 p.m. at the civic center, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, on Thursday.

Among the agenda items will be discussion of telecommunications facilities at the port and on Triangle Court; a general plan amendment for 47 acres near Harbor Blvd. and Beacon Street; and further discussion of the planning commission's priorities in ranking different development projects seeking city approval in Southport.

Raiders fall to Center High



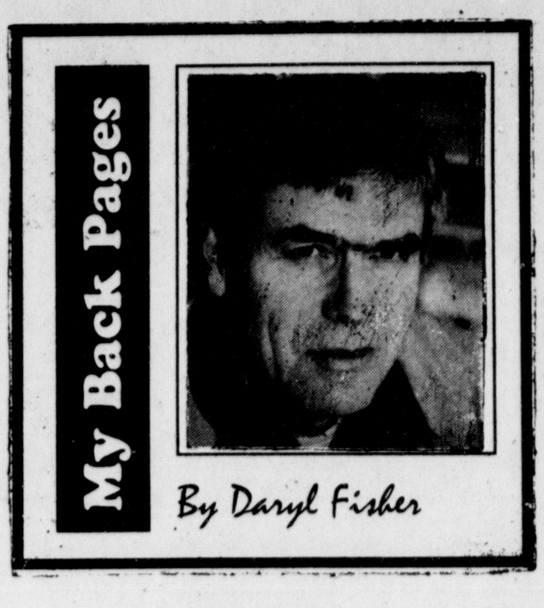
RIVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL's Raider football squad took to the field on Friday against Center High School. The Raiders did not prevail; Center won 41-8.
Photo courtesy of Candy Zonneveld

Mayor Christopher Cabaldon (left) and City Council Member Oscar Villegas (center) shared a campaign party at a Mexican restaurant on Park Boulevard last night. They appeared to have reason to celebrate. Cabaldon seemed on his way to become the city's first separately-elected mayor, and Villegas seemed to be following fellow incumbent Bill Kristoff to another term on the council.

Photo by Troy Blacklaw

Recalling a few favorite quotes and poems

Note: Daryl is off this week. Here is a slightly updated version of one of his favorite columns from the past.



People I meet and spend time talking with, or people I just meet in passing, often remind me of old quotes, poems, or sayings I've heard or read over the years. Although I'm afraid I can't remember all the authors, here are a few examples:

A man I used to work with spent most of his waking hours making his life joyless trying to gain possession of a woman he professed to love like no other and I was reminded that "He who binds to himself a joy doth the winged life destroy, but he who embraces the joy as it flies lives in eternity's sunrise."

I had a lengthy discussion with a local school administrator the other day and was reminded that, "There is a constant increase, a stupendously rapid increase, in the number of obedient, docile men."

A friend of a friend described in some detail her latest fight with her husband and I was reminded that for some people, "It remains to choose the most aesthetic suicide: marriage and the forty-hour week, or a revolver."

Someone I recently got stuck sitting next to at a dinner gathering harangued me for over fifteen minutes about how my generation had no respect for freedom and democracy because of all the anti-war demonstrations that occurred during the 1960s, which reminded me of the old Frederick Douglas quote that reads "Those who profess to freedom, yet deprecate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing, rain without thunder and lightning, and the ocean without the awful roar of its many waters."

My youngest son is always reminding me that "From a child you can learn: always to be happy; never to sit idle; and to cry for everything you want."

A friend was going on and on about how kissing is by far the best part of romance and I was reminded of Leigh Hunt's poem *Jenny,* part of which I think goes a little something like this:

Jenny kiss'd me when we met,
Jumping from the chair in which she sat.
Say I'm weary, say I'm sad,
Say that health and wealth have miss'd me,
Say I'm growing old, but add,
Jenny kiss'd me.

A very nice, bright graduate of my daughter's high school, who wasn't very interested in academics and received poor grades while he was there, is quite successful now and always reminding me that all too often during our school years, "The hours that mattered most, in terms of passion, high stakes, daydreams and ideas of justice; all those hours were times sneaked in, unlicensed, and unpermitted."

While trying to have a rational conversation a few days ago with an employee of the California State Department of Motor Vehicles, it suddenly dawned on me that "We grossly misjudge the distance between the cushioned seat and the padded cell."

I talked to a local political activist awhile back and was reminded that "The people who think they know it all can really annoy those of us who do."

After swapping war stories with a remarkably humble and much decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, I was reminded that "Heroes are not made in heaven; they are simply cornered somewhere on earth."

Speaking of courage, a very brave lady who just lost her husband continues to make me think of something Aeschylus once wrote: "Even in our sleep, pain that cannot forget, falls drop by drop upon the heart, and in our own despair, against our will, comes wisdom through the awful Grace of God."

An unhappy businessman I recently met, who has apparently worked very long and very hard to become very successful, sadly explained to me in so many words that "Everything he once wanted, was everything he once had."

When asked whom I thought was more honest and had the most integrity, John Kerry or George W. Bush, I was reminded of what Albert Camus said about politicians; "Politics and the fate of countries are shaped by men without ideals or nobility. Those who possess nobility are not in politics."

I was talking to a teacher the other day who doesn't really much like kids or their opinions and I was reminded of James Baldwin's quote that "We do not truly trust educated people and rarely, alas, produce them, for we do not really trust the independence of mind which alone makes a genuine education possible."

When asked what, in addition to a great sense of humor, goes into the making of a good friend; I was reminded that "Our best friends are those who know their own faults well enough to forgive us ours."

And finally, when I see an elderly couple who still hold hands when they take their evening walk in my neighborhood I am reminded of this little quote that was passed along to me many years ago: "I wrote your name on a piece of paper but by accident I threw it away. I wrote your name on my hand but it washed away. I wrote your name in the sand but the waves whisped it away. I wrote your name in my heart and forever it will stay."

Joke of the week: Two old gentlemen were pushing their carts around Wal-Mart when they suddenly collided. One said to the other, "Sorry about that. I'm looking for my wife and I guess I wasn't paying much attention to where I was going."

"That's okay. It's actually a coincidence. I'm looking for my wife, too, and I can't find her and I'm getting a little desperate."

"Well, maybe I can help you find her? What does she look like?"

"Well, she is 29 years old, tall, with long red hair, pretty blue eyes, very long legs, and she is wearing very short shorts. What does your wife look like?"

"Never mind; let's go look for yours."

New at the library

By Elise McCallan
Arthur F. Turner Branch Library
1212 Merkley Ave.
West Sacramento

The Arthur F. Turner Branch Library has received the following new books:

"How Dogs Think: Understanding the Canine Mind" by Stanley Coren.

"Donnybrook: The Battle of Bull Run, 1861" by David Detzer.

"Cancer Fitness: Exercise Programs for Patients and Survivors" by Anna L. Schwartz.

"Kids' Adventures Around San Francisco Bay: Educational Places to Go, Things to Do, and Classes to Take" by Elina Wong.

"A Passionate Pilgrim: A Biography of Bishop James A. Pike" by David M. Robertson.

Call 375-6465 for information and library hours.

In uniform: Private T. Gonzalez

Army Pvt. Thomas D. Gonzalez has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina.

During his nine weeks of training, Gonzalez studied the Army mission and tradition and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, field tactics, first aid, map reading and the military justice system.

Gonzalez is a 2004 graduate of West Sacramento's Yolo High School.

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Obituary

Henry Franklin Omnes Sr.

Henry Omnes of West Sacramento passed away at the age of 88 on October 26, 2004. He was the beloved husband of 66 years to Marie Omnes; the loving father of Henry F. Omnes Jr., William Omnes, and the late Helen Irene Omnes; the dear brother of Maxine Moon and Carl Humphrey; and the devoted grandfather of one and great grandfather of three. He was a native of Santa Cruz, California.

Private services will be held. Arrangements were handled by River Cities Funeral Chapel of West Sacramento.

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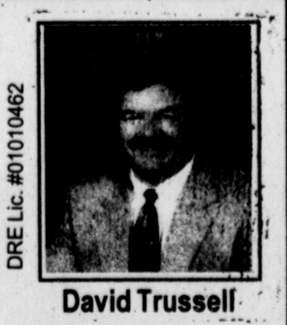

David Trussell

HOME SALES REMAIN ROBUST:

The current volume of home sales is surprising the experts who predicted a more sluggish market in late summer or fall of this year. At today's rate of sales, about 6.95 million homes will be sold this year – an all-time annual record.

We expected sales to ease, but it's now clear the market has tremendous momentum. The improving job market and higher consumer confidence are feeding into a large demographic demand for housing. Home sales will probably remain quite strong, even with some easing expected in the next few months.

Another key motivator driving today's robust homes sales is the continuing low mortgage interest rates. At this writing, that rate hovers around 6 percent for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage, and significantly less for a 15-year loan or adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM).

Considering most forecasts are projecting mortgage interest rates to only gradually rise, this could keep the housing market from taking as much of a breather as was anticipated in early summer. This year is well on the way to setting an annual record.

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SPORTS

SPORTS INSIDER

By Richard Novoa

The baseball season closed with the Boston Red Sox breaking the Bambino curse and bringing the World Series title to Bean Town after 86 years of waiting. NHL hockey is still locked out while the NBA will open the season in their last year of the working agreement. The 2004/05 will have new division alignments. The Kings will play in the Pacific division with the Lakers, Warriors, and the Clippers.

Kings Korner

The Kings have won at least 55 games in each of the past four season but they still haven't been able to win the NBA Championship game. The Kings set their roster with the best players in camp. The Kings even waived second round pick Ricky Minard and free-agent David Bluthenthal which will cost the Maloofs $400k in guaranteed money. The Kings decided to keep Matt Barnes, Maurice Evans and Erik Daniels.

The Kings will open the season in Texas against Dallas on Tuesday and San Antonio on Wednesday (5:30 –ch.10) and finish the road trip on Saturday in Houston. Channel 10 will televise the Wednesday game but the other contests will be Comcast. The Sacramento cable Company Comcast is still working on a deal with DirectTV and the Dish Network if no deal is struck West Sacramento King's fans will be limited to watching the games on ESPN, TNT or Channel 10.

Week 8 in the NFL

The Oakland Raiders (2-6) were totally embarrassed by San Diego Chargers 42-14 losing their fifth consecutive and 14th straight road game. The last place Raiders will travel to Carolina (10 a.m.-Ch.13) this Sunday to see if they can break their losing streak.

The Da Bears out blitzed the 49ers on Halloween night to send the 49ers to (1-6) a step closer to the No. 1 pick in the draft. The 49ers defensive unit played outstanding but their offensive was pretty weak and things won't get any better next Sunday when the Seahawks invade Monster Park (1:15 p.m.).

Last week I split in my weekly picks winning two and losing two and Week 9 doesn't look any easier. The Chargers will continue to roll with a win against New Orleans (+6) and the Browns will cover against the Ravens (-6). In college Miami-Fla. will cover (-16) against Clemson and on Monday night the Colts will beat the Vikings.

See ya next week!

Contract Bridge

THE PRICE IS RIGHT

South dealer
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 7 4 3
♥ A J 10 5
♦ A Q 8 3
♣ 10 4

WEST
♠ J 9 6 2
♥ 9 6
♦ K 10 4
♣ J 9 6 3

EAST
♠ K Q 5
♥ K Q 8 4 2
♦ J 9 7 5 2
♣

SOUTH
♠ A 10 8
♥ 7 3
♦ 6
♣ A K Q 8 7 5 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
3 NT			

Opening lead — two of spades.

A fine declarer never relaxes his grip, even though the contract seems easy to make. It's easy to do well when key suits break normally; the trick is to do well when they break abnormally.

Here is a typical case. South was in three notrump, and West led a spade. Declarer ducked East's Q-K and won the third round of spades with the ace. He then cashed the ace of clubs, and when East showed out, the contract collapsed.

What had seemed a moment before to be a shoo-in for 10 tricks had now taken on an entirely different hue. South struggled awhile, but eventually finished down two.

Had declarer taken the precaution of guarding against a 4-0 club division, he would have made the contract. As soon as dummy came down, he should have realized that the only real threat to his contract was a 4-0 division. He should therefore have adapted his play to deal with that possibility.

There was a simple way to do this. After winning the third spade and learning that the suit was divided 4-3, South should have led a low club from his hand! The worst that could happen would be that West would score a club and a spade to hold him to nine tricks. The safety play was sure to succeed against any lie of the cards at that point.

It is true that in the great majority of deals the recommended play would cost declarer an overtrick or two, since nine times out of 10 the clubs would be divided 2-2 or 3-1. However, deliberately conceding a trick that might not have to be lost in order to make certain of a contract worth hundreds of points is well worth the price.

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by Steve Becker

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What body of water lies directly west of the Golden Gate Bridge?
2. HUMAN MIND: What is the characteristic of the psychiatric disorder known as catatonia?
3. HISTORY: Which general captured Atlanta during the U.S. Civil War?
4. MYTHOLOGY: Who is the Greek god of the wind?
5. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How long did it take for Lindbergh to make his famous first solo flight across the Atlantic?
6. PRESIDENTS: John Foster Dulles was the secretary of state under which president?
7. GOOD MANNERS: Who published the book "Etiquette" in 1922?
8. LITERATURE: Who wrote "The Naked and the Dead"?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of ferrets called?
10. MOVIES: Who was the male star of "The Silence of the Lambs"?

Answers

1. Pacific Ocean
2. Rigidity of limbs
3. William Sherman
4. Aeolus
5. 33.5 hours
6. Dwight Eisenhower
7. Emily Post
8. Norman Mailer
9. A "business" of ferrets
10. Anthony Hopkins

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Conscience is the voice of the soul; the passions are the voice of the body.
—Rousseau

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Sports QUIZ

by Chris Richcreek

1. Name the four major-league franchises that, through 2004, have never had one of its pitchers toss a no-hitter.
2. In 2004, Rafael Palmeiro and Barry Bonds became the third pair of 500-homer players to hit homers in the same game. Who were the first two pairs?
3. How many NFL head coaches have reached the Super Bowl with three different franchises?
4. True or false: Between 1988-1992, Duke's men's basketball team was in the NCAA Final Four each year.
5. Who was the only player other than Wayne Gretzky and Mario Lemieux to lead the NHL in assists for a season between 1980 and 1994?
6. Who are the only two auto-racing brothers to have each won an IROC series championship?
7. Who was the last men's tennis player before Roger Federer to win three of the four Grand Slam events in a calendar year?

Please see answers P. 11

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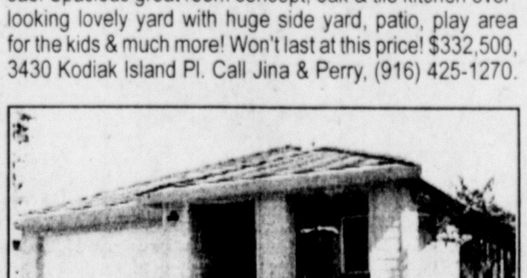

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

To send books for distribution to wounded soldiers in U.S. military hospitals in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Mystery Writers of America has provided the two following addresses. Many of the wounded, we're reminded, are amputees or have other wounds that will require long periods of rehabilitation.

The below-noted volunteers will forward your donations directly to the hospitals with minimum delays for screening. Please note that mysteries, historical novels or military histories and biographies appear to be favored by the patients. They also appreciate books on entertainment topics. You can also send letters and cards. Here are the addresses:

1) For Walter Reed Hospital, contact Major Sharon L. Purviance, 11800 Old Georgetown Road, Apt. 1408G, North Bethesda, MD 20852-2654. She will make sure the books are distributed to the troops. Her e-mail address is sharon.purviance@us.army.mil.

2) For Brooke Army Medical Center, to send books, contact Beverly Rakowitz, Brooke Medical Library, Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, 3851 Roger Brooke Drive, San Antonio, TX 78234-6200.

Also at Brooke Army Medical Center, to send letters and cards, contact Nelia Schrum, Special Services, at the above address.

A Sporting View

by Chris Richcreek

A Road Less Traveled

Last season, Michigan State's road to the NCAA men's basketball tournament was the hardest in the land, according to many pundits.

Not only did the Spartans have their usual 16-game Big Ten schedule, but their nonconference foes included storied basketball names like Duke, Syracuse, Kentucky and Kansas.

The results? Tom Izzo's team was 18-12 overall, 5-6 out of conference during the regular season, 12-4 in regular Big Ten play, 1-1 in the Big Ten tournament and lost to Nevada in the first round of the Big Dance.

In summation, the team tumbled. Something else fell, too — the lofty ideal that schools should not fill their schedules with nonconference cupcakes but instead should challenge themselves with high-caliber opponents in order to prepare for possible postseason games.

Izzo had two interesting quotes about the schedule. Before the season, he told the Sporting News: "Does it take your program to a higher level? I think so. It's a chance." Later, in the midst of the nonconference slate, he told Sports Illustrated, "This is going to pay dividends in the long run." The Nevada loss pretty much ended the long-run argument for 2003-04.

Yet Izzo's remarks are not devoid of insight. He's has won 207 games at Michigan State in nine seasons, along with an NCAA title, and he has made the past seven NCAA Tournaments. He knows a thing or two about hoops.

His team last year was good, but not very good, like Spartan squads of the recent past. It lacked a true point guard, and before the season began, big man Erazem Lorbek went home to Slovenia. So, there were mitigating factors for the Spartans' slide.

And maybe last year was part of the preparation for this year's schedule.

Along with the 16 Big Ten games, there are nonconference outings with Duke, Stanford, UCLA and perhaps Maryland (if they end up meeting in a December tournament). Six of the teams (not counting Maryland) Michigan State will face were in the NCAA Tournament in 2004, and five others played in the NIT's postseason event. It's not last year's schedule, but it's no waltz, either.

Izzo's team features seniors Kelvin Torbert, Chris Hill and Alan Anderson, a possible Big Ten Player of the Year in junior center Paul Davis, and a hoped-for point-guard solution in freshman Drew Neitzel.

Is it better to take losses against quality opponents in order to be tougher at the end, or play cupcakes in hopes of boosting confidence? The needle swung in one direction last season, but the Spartans have another chance to move it the other way.

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Jill Jackson's HOLLYWOOD

HOLLYWOOD ... It has been several weeks now since **Christopher Reeve** died, but Hollywood is still paying tribute to "Superman." I quote a recent letter in the Hollywood Reporter from Ilya Salkind: "Some rare human beings transcend our greatest dreams of wanting to be strong and bring freedom, good and justice to the world. Christopher Reeve was one of them. He made our dreams a reality. In a fantasy world, Superman is the best incarnation of our finest qualities. In the real world, Christopher Reeve was a true super man and will inspire us to strive to attain those qualities. Chris, thank you for teaching me to believe." ... I had the good fortune to know Christopher. He was a friend of a friend, and many was the time we "bellied up to a bar" to talk it all over. Christopher was handsome, intelligent, kind and ever the gentleman. Later, it broke my heart to see him helpless in his medical chair. BUT, his mind was there, his heart was there, and he certainly left a legacy of courage to the world.

Danny DeVito and **Kathy Bates**. Now, there's a duo! The two are teamed in "Relative Strangers," about an uptight professional who sets out to find his biological parents only to discover they are from "the wrong side of the trailer park." By the way, did you know that Danny was a hairdresser and a valet before he became an actor? And that Kathy was a singing waitress in the Catskills and a cashier at the National Museum?

Christopher Reeve

Looking at a recent picture of **Bette Midler**, I thought for a minute I was looking at **Renee Zellwegger**. Long, straight blond hair; long, straight blond bangs; long thin face; big smile; white, white teeth. Whatever the Divine Miss M. has had done, they certainly did it well. AND she's now on another singing tour pulling in $250 per ticket. Her most recent film was "The Stepford Wives," and as soon as the tour ends she's making another movie.

Did you know that **Robert Donat** won the Oscar for "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" in 1940, and then **Peter O'Toole** was nominated for the same role in the musical remake opposite **Petula Clark**. ... And after being nominated four times, **Susan Hayward** finally won an Oscar for "I Want to Live," about a woman executed in a gas chamber. ... AND that **Alexander the Great**, his brother **Philip** and **Julius Caesar** were all bisexual. This I learned from the "Alexander the Great" press kit.

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BITS 'N' PIECES: When **Billy Bob Thornton** got his star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, his mom, **Virginia**, who is a psychic, was there applauding. ... **Babs Streisand** spent a fortune getting those long, straight blond locks. Now they are all frizzy and brunette in "Meet the Fockers." ... **Renee Zellwegger** has dyed her hair a rich auburn brown (at this writing, it could change momentarily). She loves the anonymity it gives her; she says she can go about unrecognized. ... **Jude Law** is fast becoming the top movie sex symbol. Hey, **Leonardo**. Are you listening? ... Word now is **Britney** wants a baby. ... And speaking of babies, **Gwyneth** is still ecstatic over baby Apple. My only hope is the next won't be Orange or Banana. ... Aside to Benita G. of El Paso, Texas. As far as I know, **Renee Z.** and **Jack White** are still an item. As to marriage, I wouldn't even try to predict that. ... And to Percy G. of Milwaukee. I would say **Julia** is still the numero uno femme screen actress, but now that mamahood is her first priority she should soon have a successor.

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Defeat may serve as well as victory to shake the soul and let the glory out.
—Edwin Markham

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Collecting

by Larry Cox

Glass Insulators

Q. During the 1860s, a telegraph line was installed through British Columbia, Canada, near where I live. Several years ago, I found three of the old glass insulators originally used on the poles. The insulators are green and manufactured by either Hemingray or Whitall Tatum, both American companies. — *Joel, Burns Lake, B.C.*

A. Your insulators sound interesting. There are hundreds of people who collect the older glass insulators, especially throughout the Western states. Two clubs that might be helpful are the Yankee Polecat Insulator Club, 1034 Canterbury Court, Carlisle, MA 01741; and the Dixie Jewels Club, 6220 Carriage Court, Cumming, GA 30040.

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Q. I have a dental instrument cabinet with a marble kick board and a marble top that is approximately 100 years old. What do you think it's worth? — *Isabella, Columbus, Neb.*

A. William Winjurn is a collector of older dental instruments and fixtures. His address is 1502 Showalter Road, Grafton, VA 23692. For a second opinion, you can contact Dr. Barry Janov, 2454 Dempster St., Suite 416, Des Plaines, IL 60016.

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Q. I have "The Following of Christ," a set of four books by Thomas A. Kempis, translated from the Latin by the retired Rev. Richard Challoner, D.D. The set was published by John Murphy in about 1856. Where can I find out its value? — *Mike, Pueblo West, Colo.*

A. A quick check of several book dealers in the Denver area revealed little or no interest in your books. Two shops in other areas that buy and sell rare out-of-print books are Brick Row Book Shop, 49 Geary St., 235, San Francisco, CA 94108; and Robert Gavora Fine and Rare Books, P.O. Box 448, Talent, OR 97541.

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Q. I have a number of 18th and 19th century U.S. newspapers. Where can I find out how much they might be worth? — *Ginny, Blairsville, Ga.*

A. Mark Mitchell is an appraiser who specializes in vintage American newspapers. His address is 3002 Winter Pine Court, Fairfax, VA 22031. Two established newspaper dealers are Phil Barber, P.O. Box 8694, Boston, MA 02114; and Timothy Hughes, P.O. Box 3636, Williamspot, PA 17701.

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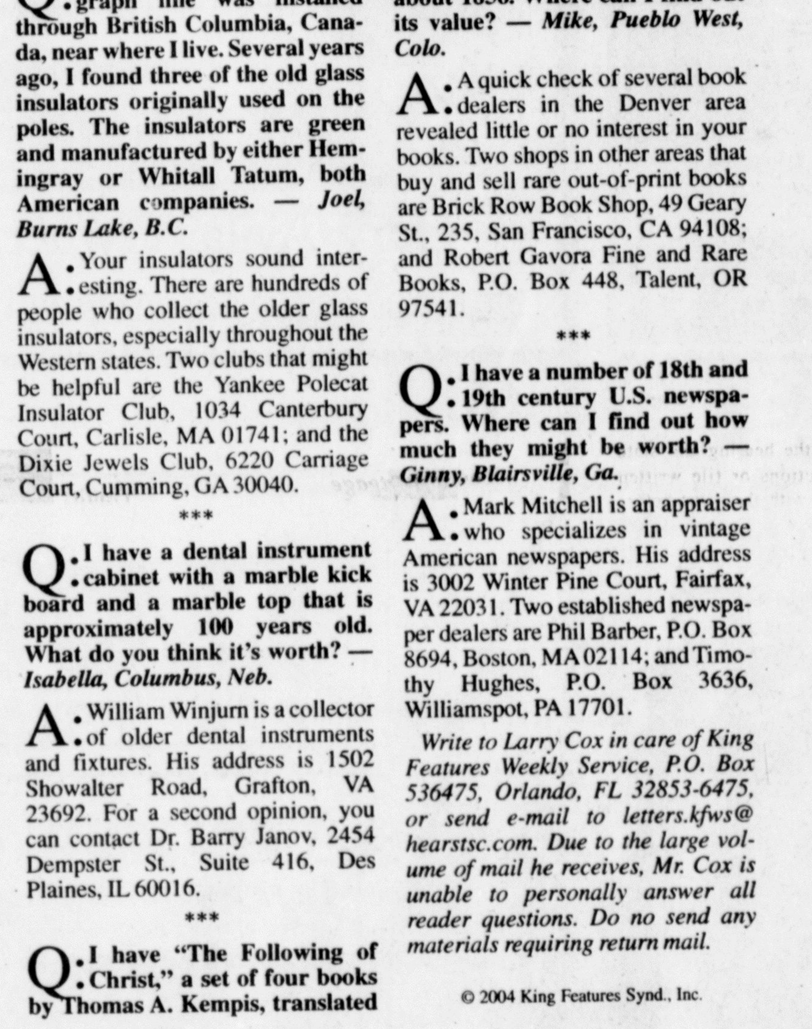

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This kind of market is referred to as a "buyer's market" for good reason: it is an opportunity for buyers to select from a large number of homes that could satisfy your needs. Everyone involved is ready to bend over backwards to make it possible for you to buy your dream home. Most sellers are highly motivated, and so are the local Realtors, loan officers, title companies and other professionals involved in the transaction. It's important to remember conditions could change without warning. This could be the perfect time to contact a good Realtor to discuss your needs and explore the possibilities available to you.
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Top 10 Top Video Rentals

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The Rock (MGM)
2. **Man on Fire** ..... (R)
Denzel Washington (FoxVideo)
3. **Mean Girls** ..... (PG-13)
Lindsay Lohan (Paramount)
4. **Envy** ..... (PG-13)
Jack Black (DreamWorks)
5. **The Alamo** ..... (PG-13)
Dennis Quaid (Touchstone)
6. **The Punisher** ..... (R)
John Travolta (Lions Gate)
7. **Ladykillers** ..... (R)
Tom Hanks (Touchstone)
8. **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** ..... (R)
Jim Carrey (Universal Studios)
9. **Jersey Girl** ..... (R)
Ben Affleck (Miramax)
10. **Scooby Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** ..... (PG)
Freddie Prinze Jr. (Warner)

Top 10 DVD Sales

1. **Walking Tall** ..... (PG-13)
(MGM)
2. **Star Wars Trilogy — Widescreen 4 Pack** ..... (PG)
(FoxVideo)
3. **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** ..... (R)
(Universal Studios)
4. **Barbie as the Princess and the Pauper** ..... (NR)
(Lions Gate)
5. **The Alamo — Widescreen** ..... (PG-13)
(Touchstone)
6. **Mean Girls — Pan & Scan Special Collector's Edition** ..... (PG-13)
(Paramount)
7. **Man on Fire** ..... (R)
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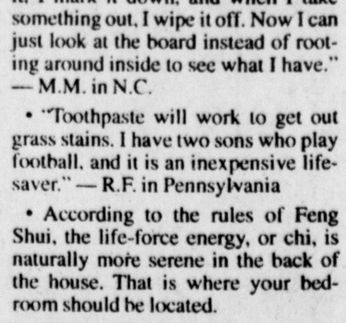


• "Get in the habit of choosing a monthly 'safe word' with your children. This way, if there is ever an emergency when you have to have your child picked up by someone he or she doesn't know well, that person would have to give the child your safe word. Of course, you should teach your child to never go with someone he or she doesn't know, but this helps reinforce the rules, since a stranger wouldn't know what the word is." — J.E. in Colo.

• "I put a dry-erase board on my deep freezer. When I put something in it, I mark it down, and when I take something out, I wipe it off. Now I can just look at the board instead of rooting around inside to see what I have." — M.M. in N.C.

• "Toothpaste will work to get out grass stains. I have two sons who play football, and it is an inexpensive lifesaver." — R.F. in Pennsylvania

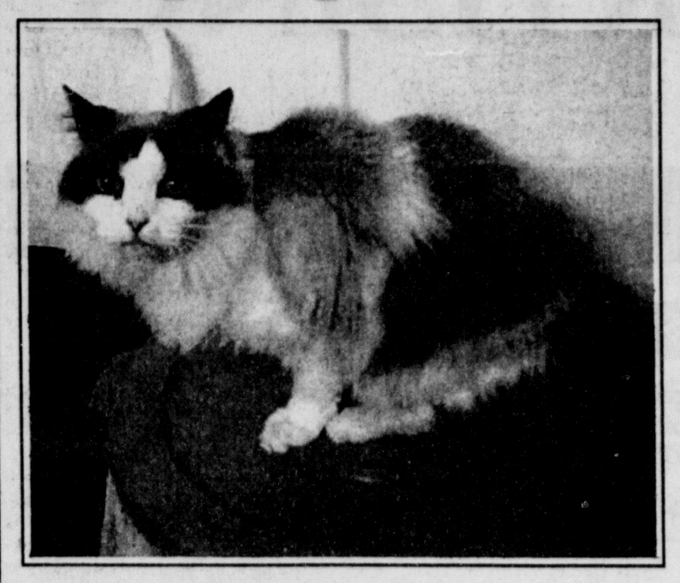
• According to the rules of Feng Shui, the life-force energy, or chi, is naturally more serene in the back of the house. That is where your bedroom should be located.

• "If you are a little flexible about color shade, you can save a ton of money by getting wall paint at outlets or in the 'oops' pile." — L.G. in Florida

• Foods that can reportedly ease menopause symptoms include soy foods, dark-green leafy vegetables, citrus fruits, green peppers, beans, flaxseed and whole grains. You should avoid caffeine, alcohol, excessive salt, red meat and hot and spicy foods (which can bring on or exacerbate hot flashes).

• Bulgur is a great substitute for brown rice. One cup has less fat (.44 grams, compared with 1.8 grams), more fiber (8.2 grams versus 3.5 grams), fewer calories (151 calories to 216 calories) and more folate (four times as much at 32.8 micrograms).

Adopt-a-pet



'Mastero' (ID #25833) is a black and white "ragdoll" cat, seven years old. He's a neutered male, very sweet.

'Sam' (ID #23923), is a brown-and-black German shepherd mix, two years old and male, He's described as fun and loving adventure.

Both animals – as well as a host of other potential roommates -- are available for adoption at the Yolo County Animal Services shelter, 2640 East Gibson Rd. in Woodland. For the shelter's hours or other information, call (530) 668-5287.

Police log

Oct. 29, 9:44 p.m.

Near Eighth and C streets, a man and woman were stopped by drug task force officers. During a probation search, cocaine was found. The man resisted arrest and a Taser was used to subdue him. Both were jailed.

Oct. 30, 9:26 p.m.

A 1967 Ford pickup truck was reported stolen from Water Street. It was recovered, unoccupied, about an hour later at Todhunter and Riverbank.

Oct. 30, 5:30 p.m.

On the 3000-block of West Capitol, a man parked his truck near his work early in the day. When he returned later, he found that tools worth more than $950 had been stolen from it.

Oct. 30, 4 p.m.

On Fathom Place, a resident reported that a car burglar during the night had pried open a vehicle window and taken a CD player faceplate, some CDs and an emergency roadside kit.

Oct. 31, 3:15 a.m.

Officers stopped a 20-year old West Sacramento man bicycling without a light on Jefferson Blvd. The man gave police permission to search his backpack. He was found in possession of burglary tools, prescription drugs for other people and drug paraphernalia. He was arrested.

Oct. 31, 7 a.m.

In the south area, a man violated a restraining order, contacting a woman and also threatening to shoot her. He was gone from the scene when police arrived.

Oct. 31, 3:30 p.m.

A female student at a south-area elementary school reported she was sexually assaulted by three male students she knew, in the prior week.

Oct. 31, 3:30 p.m.

A south-area man was put on psychiatric hold at an area hospital after he threatened his wife with an axe.

Oct. 31, 12:30 p.m.

A modular office being towed by a truck came loose as the vehicle crossed Stone Lock on Jefferson Blvd., and blocked traffic for about 90 minutes, generating many complaints.

Oct. 31, 7:08 p.m.

Following an argument at a skatepark, a male was shot in the face three times with a paint gun, at close range, causing welts. The suspect was reportedly wearing a "Jason" mask made famous in a "slasher" movie.

Oct. 31, 8:39 p.m.

A male victim on Douglas St. reported that three males in a pickup truck shot him in the leg with a BB gun or pellet gun. The man was treated for his injury at a hospital.

Oct. 31, 10:46 p.m.

On Pecan St., a vehicle was reported to have been stolen by the victim's boyfriend.

Oct. 31, 11:50 p.m.

A 1994 Honda Civic was reported stolen from a Proctor Avenue driveway.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BETHANY ANN BUSH aka BETHANY ANNE BUSH aka BETHANY A. BUSH aka BETHANYANNE BUSH aka BETTY BUSH
CASE NUMBER PB04-252

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BETHANY ANN BUSH aka BETHANY ANNE BUSH aka BETHANY A. BUSH aka BETHANYANNE BUSH aka BETTY BUSH:

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Joseph C. Tauzin, Jr. in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Joseph C. Tauzin, Jr. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Nov. 23, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. at Dept. 11 at Yolo County Superior Court, 725 Court St., Woodland, CA 95695.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a "Request for Special Notice" (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A "Request for Special Notice" form is available from the court clerk.

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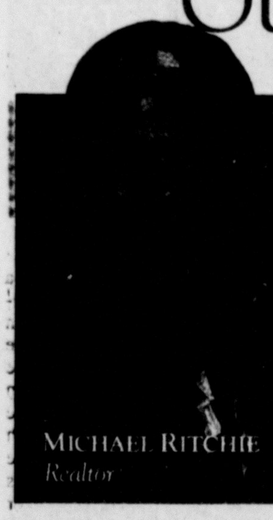
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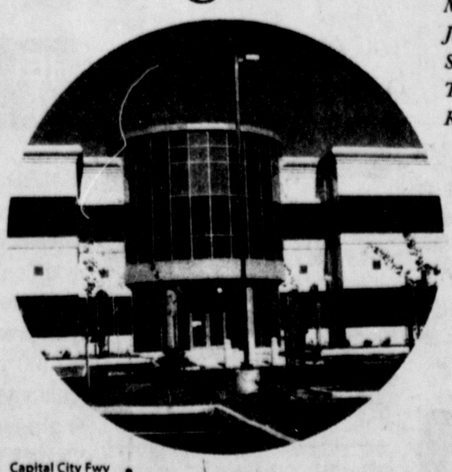
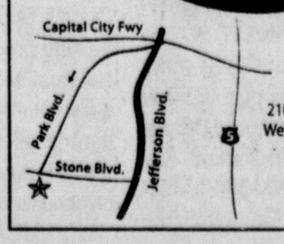

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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

Trick question or tell-tale?

The News-Ledger over the past few weeks asked each candidate for a West Sacramento City Council seat to answer nine questions. One of those you might consider to be a bit of a trick question:

"Please give an example of a city whose growth style West Sacramento should emulate."

Candidates weren't actually expected to respond with a statement like, "I think West Sacramento should be just like Elk Grove" (or Davis, or New York, or Paris). But the newspaper did hope these would-be leaders would find something in some other city that West Sacramento should learn from – something either to copy or to avoid.

They could have said, "I really like the tree-lined sidewalks and neighborhoods of Curtis Park," or "we need to attract an auto mall like Roseville" or "I want an urban waterfront like Portland's." But they didn't. Every council candidate answered with a statement to the effect that "West Sacramento is unique and there is no other city to emulate."

Well, of course West Sacramento is one-of-a-kind. But growth is one of the biggest challenges facing the city. And to control growth, you need to have a vision of an end result. And to have a vision for an end result, you need to look around. See what other cities have, and think about what they've got that would work here. Think about what they've got that can't work here, or should be avoided here.

Did the candidates' uniformly vague responses indicate they took the question too literally? That they felt that since there was no single city out there that West Sacramento ought to hold up as a benchmark, no city should be mentioned at all?

Did the responses simply result from a too-casual response to the question?

Or did the responses show a lack of vision – and the urgent need to develop one?

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The Port of Sacramento found out from its new trouble-shooter this week that a recent cash injection won't pay the bills for as long as originally expected. The port will probably run out of money again even sooner than next fall, and may have to either borrow more money or sell some land in a hurry.

In either case, there probably isn't time to wait for the results of a new land use plan now underway before taking the next step.

This, of course, is further evidence that the current re-evaluation of the facility is long overdue. Quite simply, the crisis should have been acknowledged and recognized as a crisis (particularly by port officials, but also by the region) years ago. Realism has come late to this party, and perhaps has not even fully arrived yet.

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Letters to the Editor

From Councilman Mark Montemayor

As I contemplate the hard work that my supporters and I put in for the past eight months, and as I anxiously await the results of this years city council election, I feel compelled to write one last letter.

First, for those I may have missed to thank in person, let me thank you now for your hard work and dedication not just for the last eight months, but for the last eight years. I truly appreciate your dedication to the service of our city and our cause. I am humbled by these deeds and wish your hard work to continue no matter what the results of the election.

Most of all, however, I want to publicly thank those closest to me, and that is my mother and my family. Between my mom, my siblings, my aunts, uncles, and new family members like Norm, Jeff, and your families, the self sacrifices that were taken by all of you allowed me to perform my duties as mayor, mayor pro tem, port commissioner and councilmember without worry or concern for myself. I am blessed to know and be a part of such great people's lives and I simply would not be the same Mark without you.

At the time of your reading this letter, you will know the results of the election. Win or lose, I am grateful for the trust and faith you gave me for over eight years of service. I have no regrets or misgivings and I count myself as fortunate to have served you as councilmember with the highest dignity, honor, and honest modesty. Regardless of whether or not I earned your vote, I thank you for your trust in me to serve as your representative. I also want to thank my colleagues on the city council and our city staff. Working with you has been an honor and a privilege and making our city great has been a spiritually rewarding experience.

If I should win re-election, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to continue serving you for four more years and work towards a West Sacramento that will determine its ultimate maturity. My work will be cut out for me, but I am confident that the principles I stand for will be seen through so you could be proud to call yourself a true West Sacramentan. If I do not win, then please know that I am still pleased at working and taking my best shot despite the heavy spending that was against me. If God has planned this for me, it would be time to start a new chapter in my life where I can fulfill the promises I made to my mother. These are promises put on hold while I completed what I set out to accomplish for our community. Either way, my friends, do not despair for whatever fate has in store for me. I can assure you that my soul is prepared for the time our election fate will become reality. No matter what happens, know that it will always be for the better since things happen for a reason.

Once again, thank you for your faith in me for the past eight years, and may you next eight be blessed and prosperous.

MARK P. MONTEMAYOR
West Sacramento

Parking tickets unfair

Concerning the parking tickets that the West Sacramento Police Department has been writing around Evergreen School. Don't blame the officer that writes them, as he just does what he is told to do. You can call the parking enforcement supervisor, but she won't answer her phone or voice mail. But you can just mail the fine to Huntington Beach, which seems kind of odd, so I sent a request to the mayor's office, but didn't get a response so maybe they don't know why it's sent there either. Of course you can request an administrative review addressed to the Huntington Beach address, who will then send it to West Sacramento, where the parking supervisor will deny your appeal. This doesn't sound like a impartial review to me.

The facts are that the buses have been parking along the red curb in violation of California vehicle code 21458(a)(1), no parking except a bus may stop in a red zone if marked or signposted as a bus loading zone. Now that the police department has acted the school has blocked off the entrance to the parking lot so no one can drive there to pickup children. This is a violation of California vehicle code 22507.8 (b) which states it is unlawful for anyone to block off access to disabled parking spaces. Which of course doesn't concern our police department, but let granny stop by the red curb to pick up her grandchildren, and boy will they nail her.

BOB COLE
West Sacramento

Repaving not done right

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The job completed on October 15th was not done to our satisfaction! The street is cracking and blistering everywhere!

If Measure K paid for this job to be done, then it should be done right, and everyone on our street agrees. There is a saying: "If you're going to do a job, do it right the first time so you won't have to do it again."

This letter is on behalf of the residents of Stuart Court.

TONI MELLENBERGER
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/s/James L. Witters

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/s/Margarita Berezenko
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In the Matter of SAVANNAH HORVATH, Minor.
NO. JV-04-00276
CITATION

TO: All Persons Claiming to be the Father.

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Dated: 10-28-04
DORIS L. SHOCKLEY
JUDGE OF THE JUVENILE COURT

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/s/Vu Thanh Nguyen

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Filed Sep 28, 2004
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The following person is doing business as Bridgeview Market, 330 3rd St., West Sacramento CA 95605:

Clemente Melchor and Ana Maria Melchor, 5870 Nina Way, Sacramento CA 95824.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/28/04

/s/Clemente Melchor
/s/Ana Maria Melchor

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

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Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Sep 28, 2004
by: /s/Valerie Clinton, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Oct 15, 2004
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The following person is doing business as Heritage Oaks Apartments; Heritage Oaks, 186 Muir Street, Woodland CA 95695:

Heritage Oaks, L.P. (Calif.), 23622 Calabasas Road, Suite 200, Calabasas CA 91302-1549.

This business is conducted by a Limited Partnership.

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/s/Cristina Agra-Hughes, Vice President

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Date: Oct 15, 2004
by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk

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Talking Cell Phone Safety

Make It Home For The Holidays—Pull to the side of the road if you need to dial a number on your cell phone while driving.

(NAPS)—If you tend to ring in the holidays by talking on the phone, you've got company. Americans spend more time chatting with friends and family during the holiday season than they do most other times of the year. Try these cell phone tips to help keep you safe and save you money this holiday season.

Safety First

If you talk on the phone while driving, experts recommend you:

- Remember your headset—Use a hands-free device that lets you answer a ringing phone with a voice command.
- Use voice mail—Only take calls that are necessary. The less you talk on a cell phone while driving, the safer you will be.
- Keep it light—When driving, avoid distracting calls that are emotional or intense.
- Text later—Always refrain from other distractions such as sending and receiving text messages while driving.
- Play it safe—Pull over to the side of the road to dial or if a call requires too much attention.

Cost Cutting

While calling to say happy holidays is a great way to keep in touch, it can sometimes result in an unwanted holiday surprise—an unusually high cell phone bill! One of the best ways to avoid such surprises from all the add-on fees and taxes that may result from going over your monthly minute allotment is to switch to a prepaid wireless phone.

Companies such as TracFone Wireless, rated number one in wireless customer service by Planet feedback. com, let users know up front what their exact cost per minute will be. That helps eliminate surprisingly large cell phone bills at the end of the month. The company offers a variety of airtime cards to fit into any budget. Rates start as low as 10 cents per minute. Going with the largest prepaid provider also has advantages. One of the best advantages is TracFone's increasingly popular handset feature—a minute meter that tracks "real time" phone usage.

The prepaid idea has caught on with an increasing number of Americans. According to the Yankee Group, the number of prepaid subscribers in the U.S. will increase from 18 million to 25 million by 2008.

For more information, tips and to buy a Tracfone as a gift this holiday season, visit www.tracfone.com.

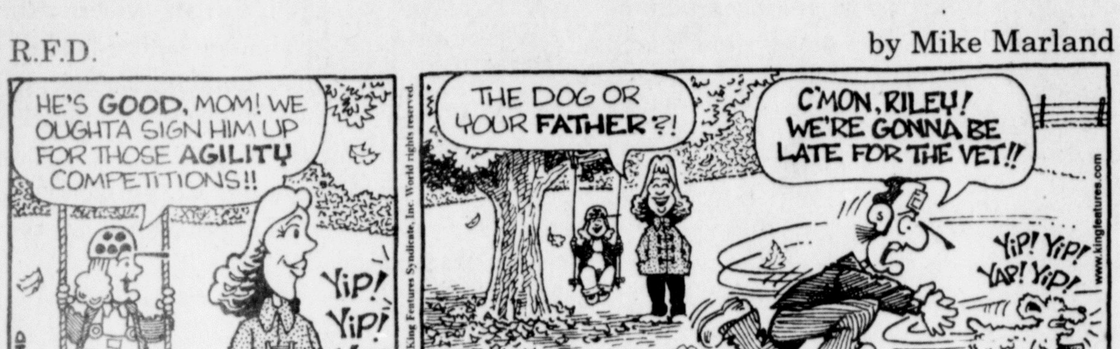
PUZZLES & COMICS

Amber Waves

by Dave Phipps

R.F.D.

by Mike Marland


HE'S GOOD, MOM! WE OUGHTA SIGN HIM UP FOR THOSE AGILITY COMPETITIONS!!
Yip! Yip! Yap!
THE DOG OR YOUR FATHER?!
C'MON, RILEY! WE'RE GONNA BE LATE FOR THE VET!!
Yip! Yip! Yap! Yip!
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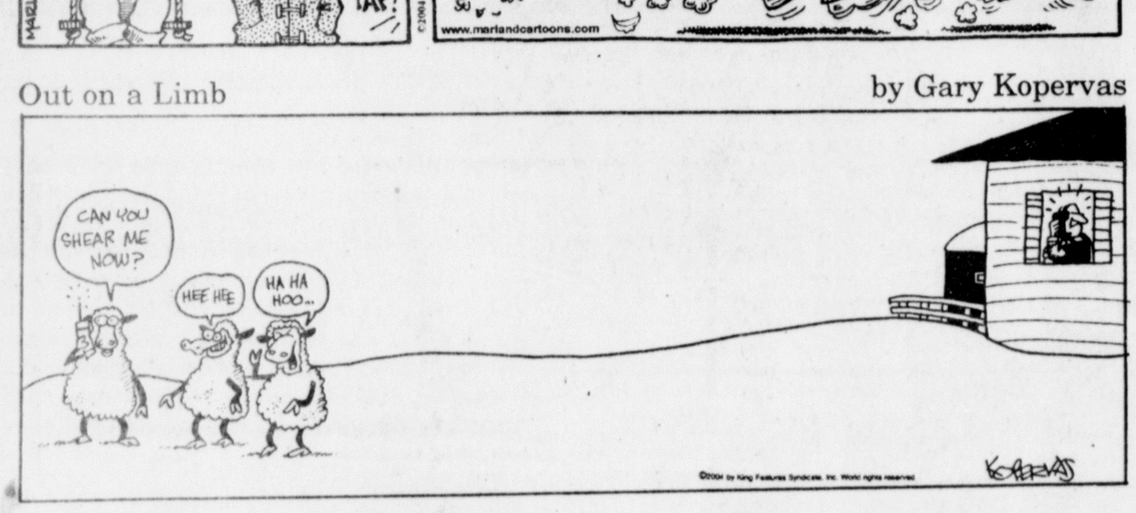
Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



The Spats

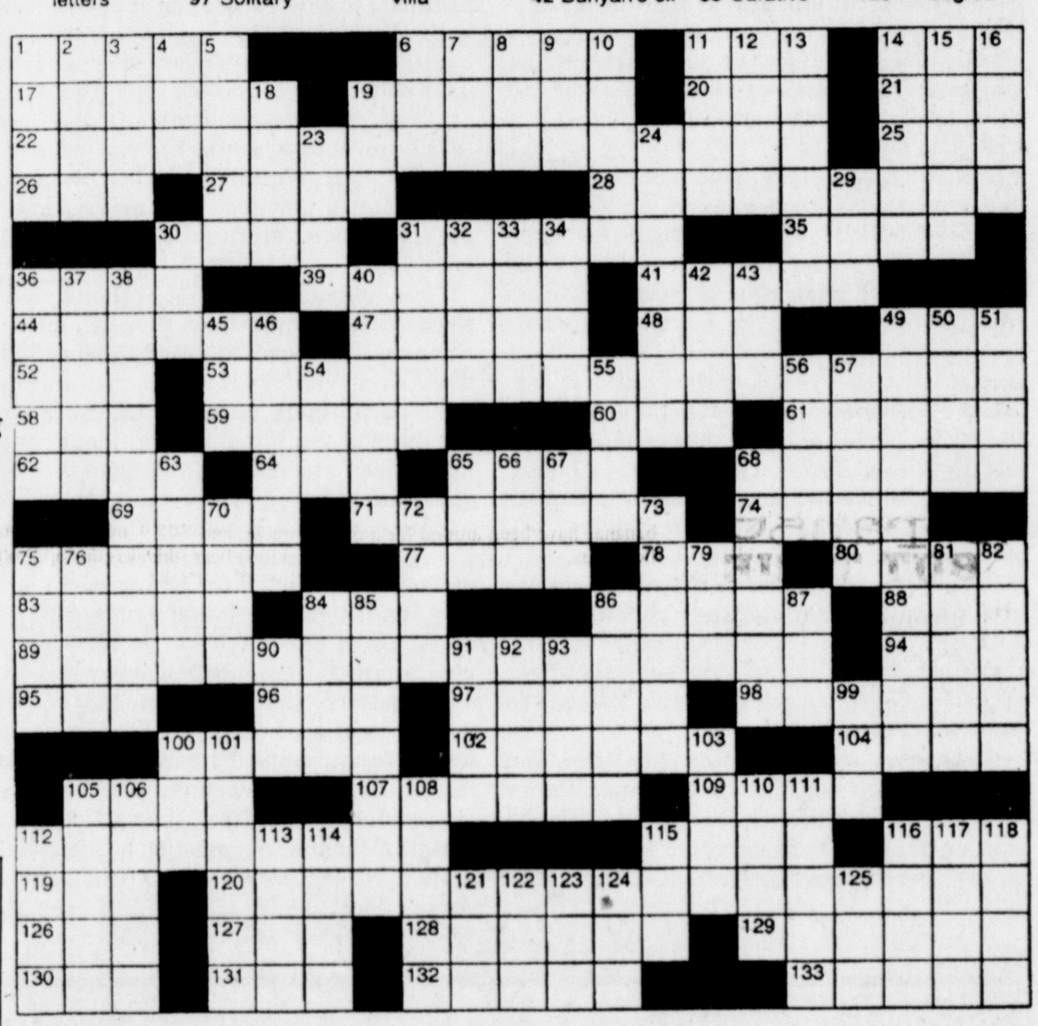
by Jeff Pickering

POPEYE
Hey Eisman
I THOUGHT YA WUZ ON A DIET
I AM!
DIN'T YER DOC TELL YA TA CUT DOWN ON BURGERS?
INDEED HE DID!
BUT I JES' SAW YA EAT THREE OF 'EM!
THAT WAS DOCTOR'S ORDERS!
HE TOL' YA TA EAT THREE?!
HE ASKED HOW MANY I EAT EACH DAY...
I REALLY ONLY EAT TWO...BUT I TOLD HIM FIVE...
HE SAID REDUCE THE AMOUNT GRADUALLY...
...AND GO DOWN TO THREE!
HOW DUZ THAT END UP HELPIN'YA?
WHEN SOMEONE QUESTIONS MY INTAKE OF BURGERS... I CAN SAY...
"...DOCTOR'S ORDERS!"

Super Crossword ADD-ONS

ACROSS
1 Two-legged stand
6 Palindromic pirogue
11 Mortarboard
14 Make a muumuu
17 Genesis peak
19 Salad veggie
20 Be obligated
21 Literary collection
22 FILE FILE
25 Diagnostic instr.
26 Bray beginning
27 Luau entertainment
28 Kind of mushroom
30 — Hari
31 Ecclesiastic
35 Evangelist Roberts
36 Mathematician Khayyam
39 '62 Tommy Roe hit
41 Hard wood
44 Injured party
47 Zeal
48 Drink like a Dandie Dinmont
49 Heredity letters
52 SASE, e.g.
53 STRING STRING
58 Antique auto
59 Disinfectant target
60 Compete
61 Quick-footed
62 Pyramid, e.g.
64 — kwon do
65 Gumbo thickener
68 Stephen King book
69 Brazilian kicker
71 Glowing
74 Congregational comeback
75 The Fresh Prince's place
77 Rope fiber
78 Possessed
80 Goblet part
83 Soporific substance
84 "I — Rock" ('66 song)
86 — cotta
88 Exist
89 TRAIL TRAIL
94 New Deal agcy.
95 City in Kyrgyzstan
96 Baby butter
97 Solitary
98 Priest-to-be
100 Mirella of the Met
102 Trustworthy
104 Hide
105 Geometric calculation
107 Red —
109 Throw a party
112 Fleeting
115 Christmas visitors
116 Slangy suffix
119 Yesterday's your
120 CHAIN CHAIN
126 Cratchit kid
127 Bartok or Peron
128 Irregular
129 I specialist?
130 Humorist George
131 Costa — Sol
132 The Brainy Bunch?
133 Greases the wheels

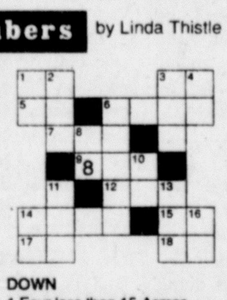
DOWN
1 Fugue composer
2 "Dies —"
3 Unwind a rind
4 Chicago airport abbr.
5 Russian villa
6 Norton or Olin
7 Ginger —
8 Still
9 Word from a Weimaraner
10 Former Japanese capital
11 Musical finale
12 Blew away
13 Non-sexist suffix
14 Pacific islands
15 Register
16 Keen
18 Like some nerves
19 Security grp.
23 Lesage's "Gil —"
24 Rhine siren
29 Attempt
30 Clubber Lang's portrayer
31 — Amboy, NJ
32 General's helper
33 Job opening
34 Biting
36 Public
37 Sal of "Giant"
38 Pull off
40 Novelist Lee
42 Bunyan's ox
43 — -Locka, FL
45 132 Across stats
46 Grumble
49 Contrition
50 Director Mira
51 He's Devine
54 Battery size
55 A Karamazov brother
56 Dire
57 Diamond features
63 Bridges and Brummell
65 Lyric poem
66 Kipling novel
67 Knock
68 Domingo's birthplace
70 Wing or flipper
72 Melville monomaniac
73 "— a Kind of Hush" ('67 hit)
75 '67 Peter Sellers film, with "The"
76 Homer's field
79 Prepare for combat
81 Comic Leon
82 Had in mind
84 Related
85 Curative
86 Article of faith
87 Bunyan's whacker
90 Tina's ex
91 Actor Bert
92 Crooked
93 Torrid or Frigid
99 Prone
100 Charge
101 Pounded a portcullis
103 Defrost
105 Plant pest
106 Versify
108 It may be platinum
110 Inspect too closely?
111 Castle campaign
112 Singer James
113 Roof edge
114 100 dinars
115 Staff
116 Young of "The Last Detail"
117 — majesty
118 Part of M.A.
121 Chemical ending
122 Ford of football
123 Common appliances
124 Swell place?
125 — degree



Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.



ACROSS
1. Consecutive digits in descending order
3. Five less than 1-Across
5. Consecutive digits in descending order
6. Consecutive digits rearranged
7. Five times 17-Across
9. 12-Across minus 16-Down
12. 3-Down plus 11-Down
14. Consecutive digits rearranged
15. The first digit is four times the last digit
17. Six more than 5-Across
18. Two more than 8-Down

DOWN
1. Four less than 15-Across
2. Thirty more than 3-Down
3. Consecutive digits in ascending order
4. 10-Down plus 16-Down
6. 6-Across plus 14-Across
8. Eighty less than 14-Down
10. Three times 18-Across
11. Thirty more than 13-Down
13. Digits of 2-Down rearranged
14. Consecutive digits in descending order
16. 1-Down minus 3-Across

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Healthy	Renewed	Rugged	

See answers Page 11

FLASH GORDON
BY JIM KEEFE
OPERATION ARMAGEDDON:
THE UNITED STATES' FULL-SCALE MILITARY RESPONSE TO AN ALIEN INVASION.
A JUGGERNAUT AIMED DIRECTLY AT FLASH!
...NOW TO KEEP UP THE CHARADE UNTIL MING'S FORCES GET HERE.
SHOOM!
SO FAR SO GOOD. THEY THINK THE HOLOGRAMS I CREATED ARE REAL...
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THERE'S NOTHING FOR THEM TO ZERO IN ON... BUT ME!
BRA-KOW!
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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DINING, TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

Comfort foods
Made fast and healthy

by JoAnna M. Lund

Biscuit Breakfast Scramble

- *6 eggs, beaten or equivalent in egg substitute*
- *1/2 teaspoon lemon pepper*
- *2/3 cup nonfat dry milk powder*
- *2/3 cup water*
- *2 teaspoons prepared yellow mustard*
- *1 tablespoon dried parsley flakes*
- *3/4 cup shredded reduced-fat Cheddar cheese*
- *1 cup diced extra-lean ham*
- *1 (7.5-ounce) can refrigerated buttermilk biscuits*

Preheat oven to 375 F. Spray an 8-by-8-inch baking dish with butter-flavored cooking spray. In a large skillet sprayed with butter-flavored cooking spray, combine eggs and lemon pepper. Cook over medium heat until eggs are set, stirring often. Set aside. In a medium saucepan, combine dry milk powder and water. Stir in mustard and parsley flakes. Add Cheddar cheese. Mix well to combine. Cook over medium meat until cheese is melted, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Fold in ham and cooked eggs. Spread mixture into prepared baking dish. Separate biscuits and cut each into 4 pieces. Evenly sprinkle biscuit pieces over top of egg mixture. Lightly spray tops of biscuit pieces with butter-flavored cooking spray. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until biscuits are golden brown. Place baking dish on a wire rack and let set for 5 minutes. Makes 6 servings.

• Each serving equals: 262 calories, 10 g fat, 20 g protein, 23 g carb., 839 mg sodium, 2 g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 1/2 Starch.

Visit JoAnna's Web site at www.healthyexchanges.com or call toll free at 1-800-766-8961 for more information about her "common folk" healthy recipes.

TUNING IN by Sally Stone

A Conversation With Nancy McKeon

Part I of the CBS four-hour miniseries "Category 6: Day of Destruction" premieres on Sunday, Nov. 14. Part II airs Wednesday, Nov 17. The drama focuses on three huge storms that collide over Chicago, creating a cataclysmic super storm. And as if things couldn't get any worse, the converging weather systems also cause the national power grid to shut down, making it impossible to issue warnings of the impending catastrophe. The miniseries' stars include Brian Dennehy ("Death of a Salesman"), Dianne Wiest ("Law and Order"), Randy Quaid ("Independence Day"), Thomas Gibson ("Dharma and Greg") and Nancy McKeon ("Facts of Life," "The District") as Amy Harlon, a television reporter who becomes a witness to what may be history's most devastating natural disaster.

"Category 6: Day of Destruction"
CBS
Nov. 14 and 17

Nancy McKeon says when she first read the script for "Category 6: Day of Destruction," her reaction was immediate.

"I loved it," she says. "I thought it was exciting and really well-written. And I loved my character. She was strong, but she could also be afraid. Who wouldn't be when you're in the middle of a national power blackout and you and everyone else is being threatened by an event that could kill who knows how many people, and destroy everything in sight. Still, despite her fear, she finds a way to do what she feels she has to do. And for me, that's what courage is all about."

By now, most of us have seen a variety of natural-disaster-themed movies of the week. And there's usually enough credence in the stories to give the films some credibility. In other words, it's fiction based on phenomena that people have experienced and can accept, such as tornadoes, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, floods, etc., even if the actions of the characters stretch credulity more than a bit. But would that hold true for this film's focus on what would appear to be a highly unlikely three-in-one punch from Mother Nature, even on her worst days?

"You know," McKeon says, "at one time, I might have agreed that this is so improbable that no one could buy it. But look what's happened in just the past few years. We've seen how weather can affect power grids and cause them to shut down. The hurricane season we've just gone through was one of the most devastating in years. We've seen a lot of extreme weather patterns following one after the other. So, based on all of this, how could anyone say that what the film shows is improbable? Also, if (the movie) tells us anything, it's that we need to be prepared for what could happen."

Nancy McKeon's next project will probably involve directing, something she expects do more of over the next several years.

"But whatever else is out there for me," McKeon says, "my family — my husband (Marc Andrus) and our child — comes first. We live on a ranch and have a lot of animals, and we enjoy being close to nature. I leave it only when I have to work on something, and I get back as soon as I can."

In Focus

Stephen Baldwin is the new host of the SciFi Network's "Scare Tactics," which has been called the most terrifying hidden-camera show on television.

"I don't know who said that," says Baldwin, "but I agree. Those people who become the subjects — or as some call them, victims — of the scary setups we put them through, those emotions you see them display are real. They are terrified, no doubt about it."

Baldwin, who says he absolutely doesn't mind being called the baby of the acting Baldwin brothers foursome (**Alec, William** and **Daniel** are the other three), says he doesn't think that if he were the target of one of the show's typical stunts, he'd be as frightened as the participants (i.e., the victims), who have to contend with those blood-chilling trials of terror on each week's episodes.

"I was born and raised in New York," he says. "And New Yorkers learn very early how to handle themselves in any situation."

Stephen Baldwin

Even against ghosties and other things that go bump in the night?

"Well," he laughs, "maybe some things could be a little scarier to take on than others."

DIAL TONES: On Nov. 14, **Jimmy Kimmel** ("Jimmy Kimmel Live") will host ABC's "30th Annual Music Awards." Asked to explain the ongoing popularity of the show, executive producer Dick Clark, says, "We don't decide who will win, nor does a blue-ribbon panel make those decisions. It's the people. It's what they listen to that determines who our award winners will be."

"X-Files" producer and writer **Frank Spotnitz** is developing a new version of the '70s cult classic "Kolchak: The Night Stalker." The series starred **Darren McGavin** as a reporter whose beat found him in pursuit of vampires and other supernatural critters. So far, no comment on a suggestion making the rounds that former "X-Files" star **David Duchovny** might be involved with the show in some way.

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CRITIC'S CORNER
By D.N.A Smith

"Team America: World Police"

Running time: 98 minutes
MPAA rating: R

"Team America: World Police" director Trey Parker ("South Park") has given movie lovers something we've always longed for. No, not biting social and political satire (of which this film is packed). Not an action movie/musical that'll keep you singing the theme song for days after seeing the film (which you will do). No, what Parker has finally given us is movie that contains hot, sexually graphic marionette-on-marionette action.

If that doesn't convince you to see "Team America," I don't know what will.

Parker and co-writer Matt Stone have made an achingly funny movie that is guaranteed to offend everyone — regardless of political persuasion. The left wingers — represented in the film by Hollywood activists like Alec Baldwin and Tim Robbins — come off as they do in real life — as pompous, ignorant, self-absorbed demagogues. The right wing takes its lumps as well. In Parker and Stone's world, the left and right are equally misguided and sometimes as dangerous as the terrorists.

"Team America" is spoof of the "Top Gun" genre of films that polluted the theaters in the 1980s, complete with pounding, over-the-top pop anthems, montages and corny dialogue, all of which are made even more absurd when done with puppets.

The plot involves Korean dictator Kim Jong Il's plan to arm terrorists all over the world with WMDs set to detonate at the same time. Team America must infiltrate Kim's palace and save the world — not only from destruction, but also from Liberal Hollywood.

Team America

The movie is filled with gross humor and vulgar language. It also one of the funniest movies of the year and perhaps the finest piece of satire I've seen onscreen in decades.

GRADE: A-

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Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• There's an aquarium fish known as the Blue Devil, but it hardly lives up to its sinister-sounding name. As it turns out, its favorite food is lettuce.

• Those who claim to know say that bananas have been around for a million years.

• Al Capone is reviled today as a violent gangster — and don't get me wrong, he certainly was — but for a while he was awfully successful at it. If you look at his gross income during the late 1920s in today's dollars, every year he made $67.5 million from gambling, $19.3 million from prostitution, $28.8 million from his racetracks and $28.9 million just from selling beer (this was during Prohibition, of course).

• It may seem strange today, but it was common in ancient Rome for brides to wear red veils.

• A newborn giraffe is 6 feet tall — and by the end of its first year of life, it's been reported that President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's last words were, "I have a terrific headache."

• The first bilingual dictionary was written on clay tablets — this was back in the year 2000 B.C.

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THE CHOPPING BLOCK
by Philomena Corradeno

GRILLED CORN IS A TAILGATE FAVORITE

On the highway, it's dangerous and a no-no, but at the stadium parking lot, tailgating can be as exciting and as much fun as the event on the field.

You can't enjoy the game if you're hungry, can you? And what would an outdoor meal be without fresh corn on the cob?

On a crisp autumn day you'll want to include it — and supersweets are in the market. Prepare the corn at home: remove husks and silk, add toppings, wrap the ears in foil, and they're ready to pop on the portable grill. If you're a couch coach, grill them in your yard or broil them in the oven.

Grilled Corn With Hotlips Chili Butter is the creation of Diane Morgan, author of "Dressed to Grill," and the Buffalo Corn Ears won Lisa Hill top prize in the 2003 Supersweet Corn recipe contest.

GRILLED CORN WITH HOTLIPS CHILI BUTTER

- *1/4 cup (4 tablespoons) butter, softened*
- *2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro*
- *1/2 teaspoon salt*
- *1/2 teaspoon chili powder*
- *1/4 teaspoon sugar*
- *Pinch ground red pepper*
- *6 ears fresh supersweet corn, husked*

Preheat outdoor grill or broiler. In a small bowl, combine butter, cilantro, salt, chili powder, sugar and ground red pepper. Brush corn lightly with mixture; grill, turning occasionally, until some kernels turn golden brown, 10 to 12 minutes. Remove to platter; brush with remaining chili butter. Serve with grilled chicken and red pepper kabobs, if desired. Yield: 6 portions.

BUFFALO CORN EARS

- *4 celery ribs, halved and sliced thinly lengthwise*
- *1/2 fennel bulb (stalks and leaves removed), thinly sliced*
- *6 tablespoons butter*
- *1/4 cup jalapeño hot sauce*
- *1 1/2 tablespoons hot red pepper sauce*
- *1 1/2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice*
- *4 ears fresh supersweet corn, husked*
- *Blue Cheese Slather**

Preheat grill or broiler. Place celery and fennel in a bowl of ice water to crisp.

In small saucepan, melt butter with hot sauces. Remove from heat and add lemon juice. Brush corn with seasoned butter mixture. On a rack, arrange corn; grill or broil until slightly charred, 8 to 10 minutes, turning ears and basting with remaining butter mixture. To serve: Drain celery and fennel. On serving plate place celery, fennel and Buffalo Corn Ears. Top corn with Blue Cheese Slather (recipe follows). Thin any remaining Slather with a little half and half or milk and use as a dip for the celery and fennel.

*Blue Cheese Slather: In small bowl, combine 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese (2 ounces), 1/4 cup softened cream cheese and 1/4 teaspoon celery salt. Mash with a folk until fairly smooth. Makes about 1/2 cup.

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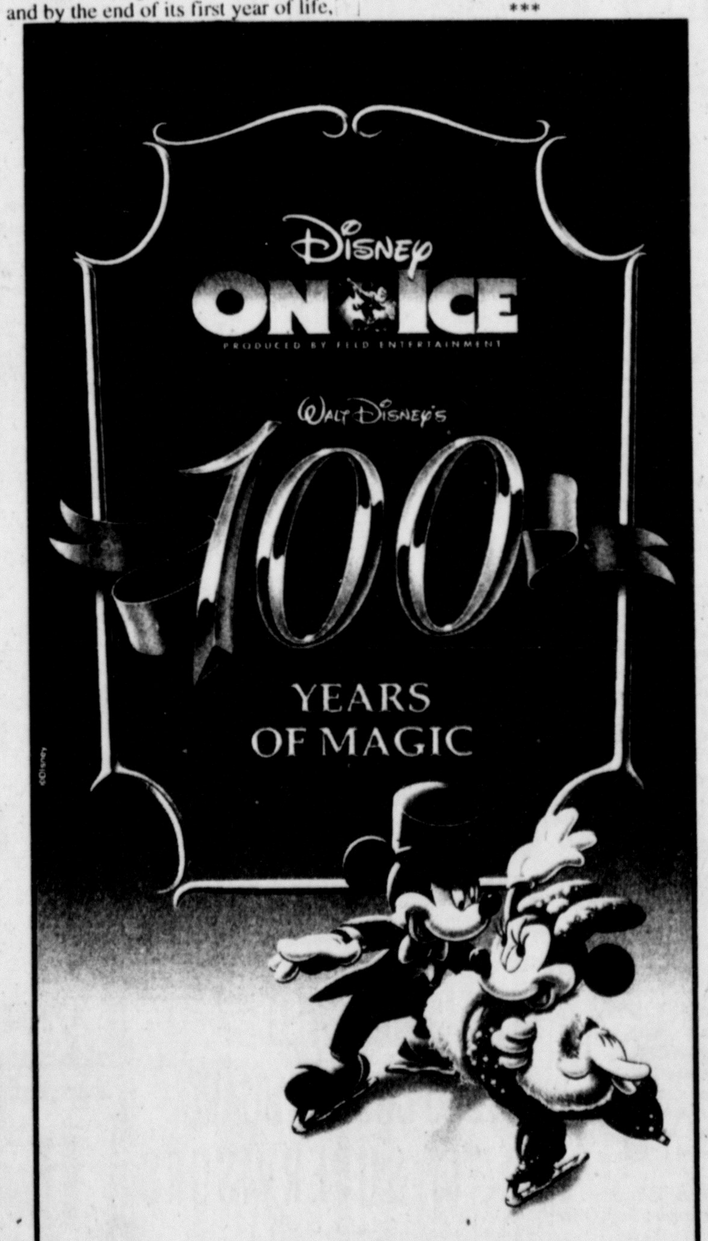

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WASHINGTON NEWS ITEMS

The Sacramento River registered two feet eight inches U. S. gauge at the Southern Pacific bridge yesterday. This reading was taken at low tide but at high tide the reading yesterday was above three feet six inches. This indicates a raise in the river of several inches which indicates that the rains in the mountains have raised the stream to some degree, but it also indicates that rice growers are now unloading their surface water into the river. This water is dangerously contagious and all householders should take care to boil the water before using it for drinking purposes.

Frank Janak is making a fancy addition to his service station and home in West Sacramento. Gradually he has been adding to his premises during his spare hours and eventually intends to make the service station one of the best in Yolo County. While he is adding to the structures he is also adding to his trade for farmers of the surrounding district do not forget that his place is handy and very convenient.

Crossings over the San Francisco & Sacramento railroad at West Sacramento and on the State Highway between the M Street bridge and the Reed orchard have been greatly improved during the past week by the addition of a few loads of gravel. Before the gravel was placed the rails protruded about six inches above the surrounding roadway, with the result that many autoists wearing store teeth were forced to relinquish their hold when they passed over those crossings. Several sets of these store teeth haye been reclaimed by the dope fiends of the jungles south of the M Street bridge and sent to the general manager of the road as a reminder of his good will in having the crossings fixed.

Mrs. P. R. George, postmistress in Washington, who has been away on a vacation for several days, returned last Monday from Santa Cruz. She also visited in Sausalito and other points north of San Francisco bay in Marin County.

A small quantity of jackass was found by federal officers last Friday evening in the Hoffman saloon and the owner, Mike Bernocci, was placed under arrest. Yesterday he was out on bond to await trial before the Federal court.

Last Sunday Fernice Gates was taken up by Constable Buckingham on a charge of vagrancy. Poor Fernice is one of the derelicts created by the Volstead law and acknowledges that she cannot possibly get along without some kind of dope to brace up her nerves. She claims that when she was robbed of a little drink of whiskey by the Volstead law she had no other recourse than to resort to dope and now that she has cultivated the habit she claims that she must have a dose at frequent intervals to relieve the pain that afflicts her so badly. Judge Barry sentenced her to sixty days in the custody of Sheriff Monroe with the hope that the dope habit might be broken.

The Boosters' Club held no meeting last Tuesday night owing to the fact that the North Washington polling precinct was located in the town hall and the count of votes was progressing at the time the regular meeting of the Boosters' Club is called. Next Tuesday evening a large crowd is expected at the Boosters' Club because some important questions will be up for consideration.

If anybody thought that the people of this district of Yolo County were anyway indifferent about the election that took place last Tuesday, they were badly deceived. John Grote was a staunch supporter of Eli Fourness, while Jack Stoutenburg was just as strong a supporter of Henry Buckingham. Last Sunday they met on their way to church and naturally the conversation drifted to politics. Stoutenburg, who is also known as "Fat Jack," weighs about 380 pounds, and becoming riled at what Grote was telling him about the success of Eli Fourness at Tuesday's election, he landed on Grote with a powerful punch to the solar plexus. Grote went down for a count of three but returned and danced about Jack so as to frighten him. Solid as a rock with his avoirdupois behind him, Stoutenburg stood his ground and warded off the attacks of Grote until friends and neighbors came along and separated the combatants. After making peace they proceeded to church and settled their differences after listening to an eloquent sermon by Rev. Fickenster.

Mrs. T. W. Eddy and son have been down from Grass Valley during the past week visiting with Mrs. Eddy's parents, C. L. Russell. They expect to return to the mountain town at the end of this week.

A special evangelistic meeting for the people of this side of the river will be started in the community church on August 31st at 7:45 p. m. with special services. The services will continue nightly for a period of about two weeks and since the services are intended principally for men all the men of the community are asked to be present. The community church should be crowded during these meetings.

Ira Davis, who has been confined to his home by illness, has recovered.

Miss Clair Moser has returned to her home after spending a few days visiting with friends and relatives in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Allerton have returned after the former spent a few days at Baker City and Mrs. Allerton spent a short while at Cottonwood.

Mrs. H. Boetcher spent Sunday visiting with friends and relatives in Eldridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Holmes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Robbins and family and Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Graves comprise a party of Washington residents who returned Sunday after spending a week at Santa Cruz.

Miss Flora Williams is spending a few days visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Robert Gibbs of East Sacramento.

MISS DIXIE CHILES, KILLED ON NATOMAS BOULEVARD SUNDAY, WAS EMPLOYE OF THE WEST SACRAMENTO COMPANY

Miss Dixie Chiles of Chiles Valley, Napa County, near St. Helena, was killed last Sunday on the Natomas Boulevard across the river from Riverbank.

Miss Chiles had been an employe of the West Sacramento Company during the past five months principally as stenographer, assistant postmistress and assistant to the secretary, Mr. A. F. Turner.

She was highly esteemed for her wonderful disposition and as she became known to the people of the district was recognized for her unending courtesy and civility. Her early death leaves her place vacant in the headquarters of the corporation and she will be missed by many who got to know that she was of genial disposition and the soul of honor.

From accounts published in the daily papers it appears that she and her sister Margaret went for a ride last Sunday afternoon with two young men.

One girl was instantly killed and her sister probably was fatally injured Sunday afternoon when an automobile in which they were riding plunged off the Natomas boulevard about four miles from Sacramento.

Dixie Chiles, 18 years old, who was driving the car, met death instantly when the automobile rolled over the grade, while Margaret Chiles, age 23, assistant city librarian, suffered injuries which doctors say may cause her death. She is at the Sutter Hospital.

The two girls were in a small roadster which belonged to T. P. Kendall, an employe of the Sacramento Star.

Margaret Chiles rode with Kendall to a point a few yards above the power house on the boulevard, while her sister accompanied E. B. Clancy, another employe of the newspaper, in another car.

According to a statement made to Deputy Sheriff M. V. Robbins last night by Clancy, the four left Sacramento for a ride, and when they reached the place above the power house, decided to go swimming.

The two girls took Kendall's car with the intention of coming back to Sacramento for bathing suits, Clancy said, and then to return to the river.

It is the supposition of authorities from the sheriff's office that a tire came off the wheel of the car in which the girls were riding, causing it to overturn and roll down the embankment.

The accident occurred at a point four miles from Sacramento at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, as a wrist watch on the arm of Miss Dixie Chiles stopped at that time.

Passing motorists notified Chief Jailer Ed Brady and Traffic Officer J. Bonniface. Miss Margaret Chiles was rushed to the emergency hospital where she was given first aid treatment by Dr. T. Binkley, and the body of her sister was taken in charge by Coroner John T. Skelton.

Neither Clancy nor Kendall were aware of the accident until two hours after it occurred. They tired of waiting for the girls and started to Sacramento in the other car in order to find out what had happened to the two sisters.

The men were met on the road by Elmer Stolz, garage man of 901 G street, who had been notified of the accident and was looking for Clancy and Kendall, who were friends of his. The two men were taken to the sheriff's office where they identified the dead and injured girls.

The two girls lived at the Young Women's Christian Association. Miss Dixie Chiles was secretary of the West Sacramento Land Company. They were both former residents of St. Helena, where their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chiles, reside. James Chiles, a brother, is also a resident of that district.

Her funeral was held last Wednesday in Sacramento at 4 p. m. from the undertaking parlors of Miller & Skelton in Sacramento. The remains were shipped to St. Helena to be buried in the family cemetery in Chiles Valley.

A large crowd of friends attended the funeral from this side of the river.

LARGE LAND DEAL ABOUT TO BE COMPLETED IN WEST SACRAMENTO

One hundred and thirty acres of land are about to be transferred by the California Trust and Savings Bank of Sacramento to Burt Warren and wife, according to a deal that is just about to be completed by the Sacramento bank.

The land is known as the Nims land and is located in the southwesterly corner of the district near the pumping plant in that section.

It was taken over a few years ago by the Sacramento Bank when the Nims left here and started reclamation deals along the San Joaquin River. The land is mostly planted to alfalfa and from what has been heard of the deal it is the intention of the Warrens to plant the entire acreage in alfalfa this winter.

To a certain extent the West Sacramento Company is interested in the deal because ten acres owned by the company is located almost in the center of the tract and Warren wants to swap for those ten acres a similar acreage a little farther north.

Burt Warren has been farming in the Holland District with considerable success for several years past and, being anxious to add to his holdings, saw an opportunity to take over those 130 acres in the West Sacramento district.

The actual consideration in figures has not been obtainable by the Independent.

TOTAL VOTE IN COUNTY IS 4062

The total vote in Yolo County at the primaries yesterday was, even lighter than at first predicted, the semi-official returns showing 4029 votes cast out of a total registration of 7063 for the August primaries. This was about a sixty percent vote polled.

That's a fine reform.
The statistician of Yolo County is out building chicken coops for his poultry plant.

A Shasta County rancher swore by all that is holy that he saw a white deer the other day.
See the result of jackass.

DETAILED VOTE REGISTERED IN SUPERVISOR FIGHT

At the election last Tuesday the several precincts of the first supervisor district of Yolo County gave Buckingham a total majority of 286 over both his opponents.

Fvie precincts voted as follows:

	Buckingham	Beardslee	Fourness
North Washington	201	15	10
South Washington	225	16	20
Riverbank	108	67	28
Clarksburg	4	4	4
Clarksburg	41	121	4
South Putah	4	4	4
	579	223	70

For assemblyman to represent Yolo County, Frank B. Noyes won out from his opponent, Mrs. Lydia Lawhead, by 436 votes.

The vote registered in this contest was as follows:

Yolo County gave:
Lawhead 1377
Noyes 1049
Yuba County gave:
Lawhead 790
Noyes 1192
Sutter County gave:
Lawhead 447
Noyes 808

The total vote cast for Congressman C. F. Curry was 1959.

CLAIMS ALLOWED BY YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

At a special meeting of the board of supervisors held in Woodland on August 18 the following claims were allowed:

Road District No. 1

D. H. Gent, roadwork	$120.25
Buryl Gordon, roadwork	156.00
W. B. Gordon, roadwork	65.00
J. W. Hyde, roadwork	45.50
Holland Land Co., roadwork	366.68
Chris Olsen, roadwork	84.50
Valley Const. Co., culverts	50.40
O. B. Wilber, bridgework	3.25
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IT IS NO WONDER BUCKINGHAM WON SUPERVISOR FIGHT

The enthusiasm with which supporters of Henry Buckingham backed him in his fight for supervisor in the first district of Yolo County is a matter for comment and is well worth reciting because with two strong opponents he won out by a majority of 286 over both opponents and thereby goes to the polls in November without a contestant.

In other words, Buckingham won the fight at the primary election last Tuesday and needless to say he let no grass grow under his feet during the campaign and a long time before it.

But it was a surprise to see his friends work for him, especially during election day.

Mrs. J. Beltrami, a registered voter of the district, was at Richardson Springs on election day, having gone there for a short vacation and for a cure for rheumatism. Early last Tuesday morning her husband hired a big automobile, drove to Richardson Springs, over 90 miles away, and returned with his wife in time to cast a ballot in favor of Buckingham. She returned to Richardson Springs by train but Beltrami was satisfied that he had done a good day's work for a friend.

Still more strange is the story of Jim Sisto, who secured leave from his commanding officer at Catalina Island to come to Washington to vote for Buckingham. His commanding officer asked him if he was crazy when he begged for permission but Sisto insisted that he must vote for a friend. Leave was granted by his naval officer and he arrived in Washington early Tuesday morning and left on the first train for the south again to return to his post in the U. S. Navy.

Joe Bright and Bill Campbell, in the Woodland Hospital, are registered voters in this district. Angelo Bonomi volunteered to go after them and heeding neither speed cops nor time he drove a mile past the entrance to the hospital before he could stop the car.

On his return he picked up Fat Ferguson at Winters and after voting the three in Washington returned them to their places in Woodland and Winters.

Blackie Rollins came up from Ryer Island to cast a vote for Buckingham also. He drove over seventy miles on election day to cast a vote for his friend and returned that evening perfectly satisfied that he had done a good day's work. Not only did he give up his wages for the day but he paid for the use of an automobile to help Constable Buckingham.

Many other similar stories might be recited of the loyalty of friends who voted for Buckingham on election day but the above will serve to show the many warm friendships cultivated by him in this district.

A dead man in Alameda County was given a thousand votes at the election last Tuesday.
Evidently some people don't know when their neighbors are dead or if they themselves are dead.

FATHER OF W. G. MEDLIN REPORTED DEAD

A report came to the Independent late last night that the father of W. G. Medlin and P. E. Medlin had died but particulars could not be secured in relation thereto.

The Medlin men are farmers in West Sacramento district and have been residents of this section of Yolo County for several years.

Scotch whiskey is being quoted at $5 a bottle in Sacramento today, and shoe salesmen and other drummers are selling it as they go along.

What's the use? Good jackass can be had for $10 a gallon.

TO THE VOTERS:

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Q. I believe you were mistaken when you wrote that Dean Cain ("Clubhouse") was of Japanese ancestry. I was told by someone who has lived in both Japan and China that he saw a photograph of the tattoo on Cain's ankle, and it's Chinese. (So) if it's supposed to be his family name, then his family is Chinese. — *M.J.*

A. Cain himself told one of my colleagues that his ancestry includes Welsh, Irish, French-Canadian and Japanese.

As for the tattoo, the name Tanaka is written in what is called Kanji style. It's one of four types of writing used in Japan, and was brought from China some 1,200 years ago by Buddhist monks. Despite some differences that have emerged through the years, Kanji retains most of its Chinese origins. It largely expresses ideas, not sounds, and is most often used for names of people or places.

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Q. Please tell me it's not true that Raven will leave her show, "That's So Raven," on the Disney Channel. She's a wonderful role model for young people, and my two daughters just love her. — *Ann R.*

A. Raven will be staying on her show for the foreseeable future. Rumors that she might leave began when someone printed an item that she was being asked to do a series on broadcast television. (She's currently on cable.) That proved to be incorrect. The fact is, the talented young thesp has signed to star in the remake of a 1976 musical called "Sparkle," which will shoot during her TV show's hiatus. The original film starred Philip Michael Thomas ("Miami Vice"), Lonette McKee ("Third Watch") and Irene Cara ("D.C. Cab") in the role of Sparkle.

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Q. I believe I read that the producers of the next "Superman" movie planned to write in a

by Evelyn Green

Raven

scene for the late Christopher Reeve. Of course, that won't be possible now. But is there a chance they'll find some way to honor him in the new movie? — *Lorianne N.*

A. I understand that they're looking for a way to do just that.

Also, apropos of the long-delayed film, it looks as if it's finally ready to start production. They have a new director and, apparently, if the rumors are accurate, they also have their Superman. He's said to be Brandon James Routh, whose credits include the soap opera "One Life to Live" and appearances on MTV's "Undressed."

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Q. I've been trying to follow the career of an actor named Shawn Ashmore ever since I saw him in "X-Men." I know he went on to do a lot of other things. But what is he doing now? *w*

A. Shawn Ashmore, who portrayed Bobby Drake/Iceman in "X-Men" and who has also guest-starred on "Smallville" (on which the late Christopher Reeve also guested), can be seen as a young sorceror, Ged, in the new Sci-Fi miniseries "Earthsea" airing Dec. 13 and 14.

Have a question for Evelyn? E-mail her at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com, or write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A rejection of your attempt to be friendly leaves you with two choices: Try again, or give up. If you want to make another effort, go slowly. Let things develop without pressure.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It could be a problem dealing with unfamiliar people who do things differently from what you're used to. But rely on that strong sense of purpose to get you through this difficult period.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) To avoid neglecting a personal matter because of a demanding new workplace schedule, start prioritizing immediately. Knowing how to apportion your time takes a little while to set up.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It won't be easy to avoid some of the pressures that come with change. Best advice: Take things a step at a time, and you'll be less likely to trip up while things are in a chaotic state.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A much-talked-about workplace change could be coming soon. Be sure to get all the details involved in the process, and once you have them, you can decide how you want to deal with it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might still believe that your trust was betrayed, although the facts would appear to prove the opposite. But by the week's end you should learn something that will help set the record straight.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Holiday plans could be a challenge because of shifting circumstances. But a more settled period starts by midweek, allowing you to firm up your plan-making once and for all.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The facts continue to be on your side. So make use of them in dealing with any challenge to your stated position. Also, open your mind to the offer of help from an unlikely source.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) There could still be a communication problem holding up the resolution of a troublesome situation. Stay with it, and eventually your message will get through and be understood.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A possible change in your workplace schedule might create a chaotic situation for a while. But once things begin to settle down, you might find that this could work to your advantage.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A recent job-linked decision might need to be reassessed because of the possibility of finding benefits you might have overlooked. Check out all related data to help in the search.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A personal situation you agreed to might not be as acceptable to the other person involved in the matter. Avoid pressuring and bullying. Instead, seek common ground by talking things through.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for touching people's minds as well as their hearts. You would be an outstanding educator.

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'I'M YOUR MOTHER AND I APPROVED THIS MESSAGE.'

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The dog was created especially for children. He is the god of frolic.
—Henry Ward Beecher

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My Father Had a Daughter: Judith Shakespeare's Tale
By Grace Tiffany

William Shakespeare had a daughter. Actually, he had two daughters and a son. In Grace Tiffany's passionate tale, "My Father Had a Daughter," the world of Elizabethan England is brought to life in vivid detail through the eyes of Shakespeare's youngest daughter, Judith.

Often the inspiration for many a character in her father's plays, Judy is a strong and witty girl with an imaginative and willful mind of her own. "My Father" intermingles fact with fiction, creating a what-could-have-been scenario of what it was like to be William Shakespeare's daughter.

Judy, her twin, Hamnet, and their older sister, Susanna, are raised in a house in Stratford, England, where their "sometimes visitor who mumbled and wrote in his chair for hours" created wonderful tales of kings, queens, fairies and magical forests. It wasn't until Judy was 3 years old that she realized this "strange scribbler" was actually her father. William enchanted his children with his exotic stories and saddened them with his prolonged absences in London.

During one such absence, a tragedy occurs and becomes the inspiration for her father's latest play. When Judy discovers the manuscript, which seems to make light of her grief, she is determined to travel to London and sabotage the opening of the play at the new Globe Theatre.

Once in London, Judy is enraptured by the hustle and bustle of the big city, as well as the excitement of theater life. She also begins to understand the method behind her father's genius.

Grace Tiffany's absorbing debut novel is a beautiful study into the life of the world's most brilliant playwright. Tiffany's Shakespearean references, while a necessary constant throughout the book, are never overpowering and always appropriately conceived. "My Father" is not just a book for lovers of Shakespeare, but for lovers of literature.

Moments in time
THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On **Nov. 13, 1850,** Robert Louis Stevenson, author of "Treasure Island" and "Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," is born in Scotland. Stevenson's decision to pursue a career as a writer alienated his parents, who expected him to follow the family trade of lighthouse keeping.

• On **Nov. 12, 1927,** the Holland Tunnel between New York City and Jersey City, N.J., is officially opened. Within an hour, more than 20,000 people had walked the 9,250-foot distance under the Hudson River, and the next day the double-tubed tunnel opened for automobile service.

• On **Nov. 11, 1942,** Congress approves lowering the draft age to 18 and raising the upper limit to age 37. The registration of men between the ages of 21 and 36 had begun in 1940.

• On **Nov. 9, 1965,** the biggest power failure in U.S. history occurs at dusk as all of New York state and parts of seven neighboring states and eastern Canada are plunged into darkness. The Great Northeast Blackout began at the height of rush hour, delaying millions of commuters and trapping 800,000 people in New York's subways.

• On **Nov. 10, 1975,** the SS Edmund Fitzgerald sinks during a storm near the entrance to Whitefish Bay on Lake Superior, taking all 29 crewmembers with her. At the time of her launch in 1958, the 729-foot-long freighter was the largest and fastest ship on the Great Lakes.

• On **Nov. 14, 1986,** Ivan Boesky, one of the wealthiest and most successful figures on Wall Street, consents to a stern settlement on charges that he had engaged in insider trading. The settlement called for Boesky to return his illegally gained profits to the SEC, as well as pay a $50 million fine.

• On **Nov. 8, 1994,** for the first time in 40 years, the Republican Party wins control of both the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate, in midterm congressional elections. Led by Rep. Newt Gingrich of Georgia, the GOP united under its "Contract With America," a 10-point legislative plan.

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, 2nd floor, West Sacramento, California until **10:00 a.m. local time on Tuesday, November 30, 2004** for the:

Jefferson Tributary Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Project

The proposed work consists of the following:

Description of Work: The work consists of the cleaning, closed circuit television (CCTV) video recording, condition assessment evaluation, and rehabilitation recommendations of existing gravity sanitary sewer pipelines.

Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within **forty-five (45)** working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.

Obtaining Contract Documents: Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, 2nd Floor, West Sacramento, California. A copy of bid documents may be obtained at the office upon request and payment of $20.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of $25.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable.

Submission of Proposals: All proposals must be submitted not later than the time prescribed. The bidder is wholly responsible to see that his bid is submitted at the time and place designated for the opening of bids. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be made on the official proposal forms furnished with the contract documents.

Attention is directed to the provisions of the Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15 which makes it a misdemeanor for any person without a valid contractors license (with specific exceptions) to submit a bid to act as a Contractor to a public agency.

Proposal Guarantee: Each proposal must be accompanied by cash, a cashier's check, certified check or bid bond, executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the total bid price payable to the City of West Sacramento.

Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Government Code Section 4590, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.

Construction License: The successful bidder must possess a current **Class "A" General Engineering** Contractor's License issued by the State of California.

Award: The award shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of Contract will be made by the Director of Community Development, and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after he has received the Contract from the City.

The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.

Rejection of Bids: The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Any bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.

Disqualification of Bidder: If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.

Relief of Bidder: Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code Section 5101 and following, concerning relief of bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the bidder claims a mistake was made in his bid, the bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred.

Wage Rates: Bidders are hereby notified that the California Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work.

It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any subcontractor under him to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the Contract.

Bonds: The successful bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the Contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the Contract price.

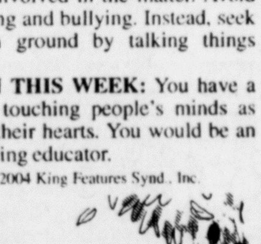
Answers to 'Sports Quiz' (p. 3) and Puzzles (p. 8)

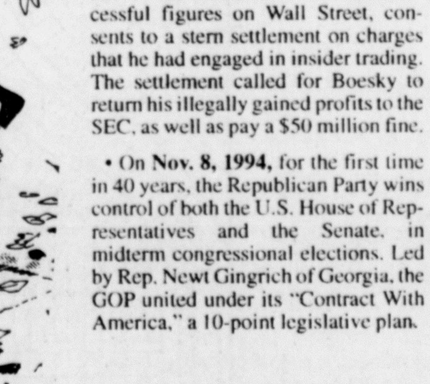
Answers

1. Colorado Rockies, New York Mets, San Diego Padres and Tampa Bay Devil Rays.
2. Willie Mays and Ernie Banks in 1970 and Mays and Hank Aaron in 1971.
3. None. Four coaches (Bill Parcells, Dan Reeves, Don Shula and Dick Vermeil) have taken two different teams to Super Bowls.
4. True — the Blue Devils won the title in 1991 and 1992.
5. Adam Oates of Boston in 1993 (97 assists).
6. The Labontes — Terry in 1989 and 1993 (tied for title) and Bobby in 2001.
7. Mats Wilander in 1988.

Differences: 1. Poster is missing. 2. Fence is missing. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Skateboard is missing. 5. Pocket is moved. 6. Curtains are missing.

Rational Numbers — answers





ORDINANCE NO. 04-12
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO LEVYING A SPECIAL TAX WITHIN COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 20 (BRIDGEWAY LAKES II)

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2004, this Council adopted its Resolution No. 04-49 (the "Resolution of Intention to Establish the District") stating its intention to form Community Facilities District No. 20 (Bridgeway Lakes II) of the City of West Sacramento (the "District") pursuant to Chapter 2.5 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 (commencing with Section 53311) of the California Government Code, commonly known as the "Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982" (the "Act");

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2004, this Council also adopted its Resolution No. 04-50 (the "Resolution of Intention to Incur Bonded Indebtedness") stating its intention to incur bonded indebtedness, in an amount not to exceed $12,000,000, within the District for the purpose of financing the costs of certain public facilities specified in the Resolution of Intention to Establish the District (the "Facilities");

WHEREAS, notice was published as required by law relative to the intention of this Council to form the proposed District and to incur the bonded indebtedness;

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2004, this Council held the noticed public hearings as required by law (1) to determine whether it should proceed with the establishment of the District and authorize, subject to a vote of the qualified electors, the levy of a special tax to be levied within the District sufficient to pay debt service on bonds to be issued to finance the Facilities, to pay for the Facilities, and to pay any authorized costs and expenses related thereto, all as described in the Resolution of Intention to Establish the District; and (2) on the proposal to incur the bonded indebtedness, subject to a vote of the qualified electors, as described in the Resolution of Intention to Incur Bonded Indebtedness;

WHEREAS, at the hearings all persons desiring to be heard on all matters pertaining to the formation of the District, the levy of the special tax, the proposed issuance of the bonded indebtedness, and all other matters set forth in the Resolution of Intention to Establish the District and the Resolution of Intention to Incur Bonded Indebtedness, were heard and considered and full and fair hearings were held thereon;

WHEREAS, following the hearings, this Council did, on August 18, 2004, adopt its Resolution No. 04-58 (the "Resolution of Formation") which established the District, determined the validity of prior proceedings relative to the formation of the District and authorized the levy of a special tax within the District, called an election for September 8, 2004, on the propositions of levying the special tax and establishing an appropriations limit within the District, and ordered the election consolidated with the election at which the proposition of incurring the bonded indebtedness is submitted to the qualified electors within the District;

WHEREAS, following the hearings, this Council did, on August 18, 2004, also adopt its Resolution No. 04-59 (the "Resolution to Incur Bonded Indebtedness") which determined the necessity of incurring the bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed $12,000,000 and called an election within the District for September 8, 2004, on the proposition of incurring the bonded indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2004, in accordance with the Resolution of Formation and the Resolution to Incur Bonded Indebtedness, a consolidated election was held within the District at which the qualified electors approved by more than a two-thirds vote the propositions of levying the special tax, establishing the appropriations limit, and incurring the bonded indebtedness;

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of West Sacramento **DOES ORDAIN,** as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct and this Council so finds and determines.

2. By the passage of this Ordinance, this Council authorizes and levies a special tax within the District pursuant to Sections 53328 and 53340 of the Act, at the rate and in accordance with the method of apportionment set forth in EXHIBIT A hereto (the "Rate and Method of Apportionment"). The special tax is levied commencing in fiscal year 2004-2005, and in each fiscal year thereafter until the earlier of (a) the date at which the tax is no longer needed for its purposes described in the Resolution of Formation and the Resolution to Incur Bonded Indebtedness, or (b) the fiscal year ending June 30, 2040.

3. The Director of Finance is authorized and directed each fiscal year to determine the special tax to be levied for the next ensuing fiscal year for each parcel of real property within the District, in the manner and as provided in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

4. Properties or entities of the State, federal or local governments are exempt from the levy of the special tax to the extent set forth in the Rate and Method of Apportionment. In no event shall the special tax be levied on any parcel within the District in excess of the maximum tax specified in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

5. All of the collections of the special tax shall be used as provided for in the Act and the Resolution of Formation.

6. The special tax shall be collected on the secured real property tax roll in the same manner as ordinary *ad valorem* taxes are collected. The special tax shall have the same lien priority, and be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in cases of delinquency as provided for *ad valorem* taxes. In addition, the provisions of Section 53356.1 of the Act shall apply to delinquent special tax payments. The Director of Finance is authorized and directed to provide all necessary information to the Treasurer-Tax Collector of Yolo County and to otherwise take all actions necessary in order to effect proper billing and collection of the special tax, so that the special tax is levied and collected in sufficient amounts and at times necessary to satisfy the financial obligations of the District in each fiscal year.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Director of Finance may collect one or more installments of the special tax by means of direct billing of the property owners within the District if, in his judgment, such means of collection will reduce the burden of administering the District
or is otherwise appropriate in the circumstances. In such event, the special tax will become delinquent if not paid when due as set forth in any such billing to the property owners.

7. If for any reason any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid, or if the special tax is found inapplicable to any particular parcel within the District, by a court of competent jurisdiction, the balance of this Ordinance and the application of the special tax to the remaining parcels within the District shall not be affected.

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its adoption and, within 15 days after its adoption, the City Clerk shall cause it to be published at least once, with the names of those Council members voting for and against the Ordinance, in a paper of general circulation published and circulated within the City of West Sacramento.

Introduced at a meeting of the City Council of the City of West Sacramento held on August 18, 2004.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of West Sacramento held on October 20, 2004, by the following vote:
AYES: Kristoff, Montemayor, Pierson, Villegas, Cabaldon
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
/s/Christopher L. Cabaldon, Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/Helen M. Kanowsky, City Clerk
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/ Robert E. Murphy, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A
Community Facilities District No. 20
(Bridgeway Lakes II)
City of West Sacramento, California
RATE, METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT, AND MANNER OF COLLECTION OF SPECIAL TAX

1. Basis of Special Tax Levy

A Special Tax authorized under the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982 (the "Act") applicable to the land in Community Facilities District No. 20 (Bridgeway Lakes II) (the "CFD") of the City of West Sacramento (the "City") shall be levied and collected according to the tax liability determined by the City through the application of the appropriate amount or rate, as described below.

2. Definitions

"*Act*" means the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended, Sections 53311 and following of the California Government Code.

"*Administrative Expenses*" means the following actual or reasonably estimated costs related to the administration of the CFD including:

Costs of computing Special Taxes and preparing annual Special Tax collection schedules (whether by the City or designee thereof or both);

· Costs of collecting the Special Taxes (whether by the County, the City, or otherwise);

· Costs of remitting the Special Taxes to the Trustee;

· The costs of the Trustee (including its legal counsel) in the discharge of the duties required of it under the Bond Indenture;

· Costs to the City, CFD or any designee thereof of complying with arbitrage rebate requirements;

· Costs to the City, CFD or any designee thereof of complying with City, CFD or obliged persons disclosure requirements; costs associated with preparing Special Tax disclosure statements; and costs incurred in responding to public inquiries regarding the Special Taxes;

· Costs to the City, CFD or designee thereof related to any appeal of the Special Tax;

· Costs associated with the release of funds from an escrow account, if any; and

· Amounts estimated to be advanced or advanced by the City for any other administrative purposes, including attorney's fees and other costs related to commencing and pursuing to completion any foreclosure of delinquent Special Taxes.

"*Administrator*" means the City Finance Director or his or her designee.

"*Annual Costs*" means, for any Fiscal Year, the total of the following:

i) Debt Service to be paid from Special Taxes collected during such Fiscal Year;

ii) Administrative Expenses for such Fiscal Year;

iii) The amount needed to replenish the reserve fund for the Bonds to the level required under the Bond Indenture;

iv) An amount equal to the amount of delinquencies in payments of Special Taxes levied in the previous Fiscal Year and/or anticipated for the current Fiscal Year;

v) Pay-as-you-go expenditures for Authorized Facilities to be constructed or acquired by the CFD; and

vi) Less any earnings on the reserve fund and special tax fund that are transferred to the bond redemption fund pursuant to the Bond Indenture.

"*Anticipated Construction Proceeds*" means the amount available, as determined by the Administrator, for project construction after the issuance of all authorized bonds.

"*Authorized Facilities*" means those facilities to be financed as identified in the resolution forming the CFD.

"*Base Year*" means the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2004 and ending on June 30, 2005.

"*Benefit Share*" means the Maximum Annual Special Tax for a Taxable Parcel divided by the Maximum CFD Revenue.

"*Bond(s)*" means bond(s) issued or other indebtedness incurred by the City for the CFD under the Act.

"*Bond Indenture*" means the indenture, resolution, fiscal agent agreement, or other financing document pursuant to which any Bonds are issued.

"*Bond Share*" means the share of Bonds assigned to a Parcel as specified in Section 7 hereof.

"*Bridgeway Lakes*" means the development proposed by the Bridgeway Lakes II Vesting Tentative Map.

"*Bridgeway Lakes II Vesting Tentative Map*" means Vesting Tentative Map No. 4620, approved by the Planning Commission on January 15, 2004, subject to a rezone approved by City Council on March 3, 2004.

"*CFD*" means Community Facilities District No. 20 (Bridgeway Lakes II).

"*City*" means the City of West Sacramento, California.

"*Council*" means the City Council of the City.

"*County*" means the County of Yolo, California.

"*County Assessor's Parcel*" means the Assessor's Parcel number for any parcel of land in the CFD as recorded by the County Assessor on the County equalized tax roll.

"*Debt Service*" means the total annual amount of bond principal, interest, and any scheduled sinking fund payments of the Bonds.

"*Developed Parcel*" means a Parcel in one of the following Parcel Categories that has received from the City the applicable development approval for that Parcel Category as follows:

Parcel Category	Development Approval
Single Family Residential Parcel	=> - Final Subdivision Map
Other Land Uses	=> - Building Permit

"*Final Subdivision Map*" means a recorded map designating individual Single Family Residential Parcels.

"*Fiscal Year*" means the period starting July 1 and ending the following June 30.

"*Large Lot Parcel(s)*" means any Taxable Parcel, other than a Developed Parcel, that is created by the Subdivision of either a Phase or an existing Large Lot Parcel.

"*Maximum CFD Revenue*" means the sum of the Maximum Annual Special Tax levied on all Taxable Parcels in the CFD in a Fiscal Year.

"*Maximum Annual Special Tax*" means the maximum amount of Special Tax that can be levied against a Taxable Parcel in a Fiscal Year as shown in Attachment 1.

"*Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue*" means the maximum amount of revenue that can be collected by levying the Maximum Annual Special Tax against a group of Parcels within a specific classification, such as a Phase.

"*Net Acre(age)*" means the acreage of a Parcel as shown on the final map or parcel map excluding right-of-way dedicated for streets, roads, landscaping, and other public purposes.

"*Other Land Uses*" means all taxable Developed Parcels with land uses other than single family residential. Although the CFD is intended to include only single family residential development, rezoning may allow other uses. Multi-family residential, retail, office, mixed-use, and industrial property would be taxable as Other Land Uses.

"*Outstanding Bonds*" means the total principal amount of Bonds that have been issued and not fully repaid or legally defeased. Prior to the initial Bond sale, Outstanding Bonds shall be equal to the bond authorization.

"*Parcel*" means any parcel of land, identified by County Assessor's Parcel, in the CFD based on the equalized tax rolls of the County as of January 1 preceding the Fiscal Year.

"*Partial Prepayment*" means a prepayment of a portion of a Parcel's Special Tax obligation, as set forth in Section 7.

"*Partial Prepayment Factor*" means a factor by which the Maximum Annual Special Tax for a Partial Prepayment Parcel is multiplied to calculate an adjusted Maximum Annual Special Tax for such Parcel. Each Partial Prepayment Factor shall be calculated according to the steps described under Section 7 hereof.

"*Phase(s)*" means the phase(s) of the Bridgeway Lakes development, as shown in Map 1. Each Phase is assigned a Maximum Annual Special Tax, as shown in Attachment 1. Each Phase is proposed to have an estimated number of Units. The estimated number of Units are shown in Attachment 1. Each Unit is assigned a Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit. The number of Units assigned to a Phase times the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit is the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue for each Phase.

"*Planning Commission*" means the Planning Commission of the City.

"*Prepayment*" means the partial or complete fulfillment of a Parcel's Special Tax obligation, as determined by following the procedures in Section 7.

"*Public Parcel*" means any Parcel that is or is intended to be publicly owned, as designated in any final map for Bridgeway Lakes II that is normally exempt from the levy of general *ad valorem* property taxes under California law, including public streets; schools; parks; and public drainageways, landscaping, wetlands, greenbelts, and open space.

"*Reserve Fund Requirement*" means the amount required to be held in the bond reserve fund created under the Bond Indenture.

"*Reserve Fund Share*" means the lesser of: (i) Reserve Fund Requirement or (ii) the reserve fund balance at the time of such calculation, multiplied by the Benefit Share for a given Parcel.

"*Single Family Residential Parcel*" means a single family residential lot created by the recordation of a Final Subdivision Map.

"*Special Tax(es)*" mean(s) any special tax levied on Taxable Parcels in the CFD under the Act.

"*Subdivision*" means a division of a Parcel into two or more Parcels through the Subdivision Map Act process.

"*Tax Collection Schedule*" means the document prepared by the City for the County Auditor to use in levying and collecting the Special Tax each Fiscal Year.

"*Tax Escalation Factor*" means a factor of two percent (2%) that will be applied annually for the first fourteen (14) Fiscal Years after the Base Year or until the first series of Bonds is issued, whichever comes first, to increase the Maximum Annual Special Tax. In any case, after Fiscal Year 2018-2019 the Maximum Annual Special Tax shall cease to escalate.

"*Taxable Parcel*" means any Parcel that is not a Tax-Exempt Parcel.

"*Tax-Exempt Parcel*" means a Parcel not subject to the Special Tax. Tax-Exempt Parcels are: (i) Public Parcels, (ii) Parcels for which the Special Tax has been fully prepaid under Section 7 hereof, and (iii) certain privately owned Parcels such as common areas owned by homeowner's associations or property owner associations, wetlands, detention basins, water quality ponds, and open space, on which an *ad valorem* property tax is not levied.

"*Total Facility Cost Share*" means the Benefit Share for a Parcel multiplied by the Anticipated Construction Proceeds for the CFD.

"*Undeveloped Parcel*" means a Taxable Parcel that is not a Developed Parcel or Large Lot Parcel.

"*Unit(s)*" means a Single Family Residential Parcel, or the number of single family residential lots proposed for a Large Lot Parcel, or Phase as shown in the Bridgeway Lakes Vesting Tentative Map, or as determined by the Administrator.

3. Determination of Parcels Subject to Special Tax

The City shall prepare a list of the Parcels subject to the Special Tax. The City shall identify the Taxable Parcels from a list of all Parcels within the CFD boundary by excluding all Tax-Exempt Parcels.

4. Termination of the Special Tax

The Special Tax will be levied and collected for as long as needed to pay the principal and interest on debt and other costs incurred in order to construct the authorized facilities and to pay the Annual Costs. However, in no event shall the Special Tax be levied on any Parcel in the CFD after Fiscal Year 2039-2040.

Except as set forth in the preceding paragraph, there is no limit on the number of years a Parcel can remain subject to the Special Tax as an Undeveloped Parcel, and the number of years a Parcel is subject to the Special Tax as an Undeveloped Parcel shall not affect the period of time that a Parcel may be subject to the Special Tax as a Developed Parcel. However, after a Parcel has paid the Special Tax as a Developed Parcel for 30 years, the Special Tax shall cease to be levied on that Parcel.

When all Annual Costs incurred by the CFD have been paid, the Special Tax shall cease to be levied. The City shall direct the County Recorder to record a Notice of Cessation of Special Tax. Such notice will state that the obligation to pay the Special Tax has ceased and that the lien imposed by the Notice of Special Tax Lien is extinguished. The Notice of Cessation of Special Tax shall additionally identify the book and page of the Book of Maps of Assessment and Community Facilities Districts where the map of the boundaries of the CFD is recorded.

5. Assignment of Maximum Annual Special Tax

In each Fiscal Year following the Base Year, through Fiscal Year 2018-2019 or until the first series of Bonds is issued, whichever comes first, the Maximum Annual Special Tax, as shown in Attachment 1, will increase by the Tax Escalation Factor, subject to the limitation of the Tax Escalation Factor.

A. Classification of Parcels. Each Fiscal Year, using the Definitions in Section 2 above, the Parcel records of the County Assessor's Secured Tax Roll as of June 1, and other City development approval records, the City shall cause the following:

(1) Each Parcel to be classified as a Tax-Exempt Parcel or Taxable Parcel, and

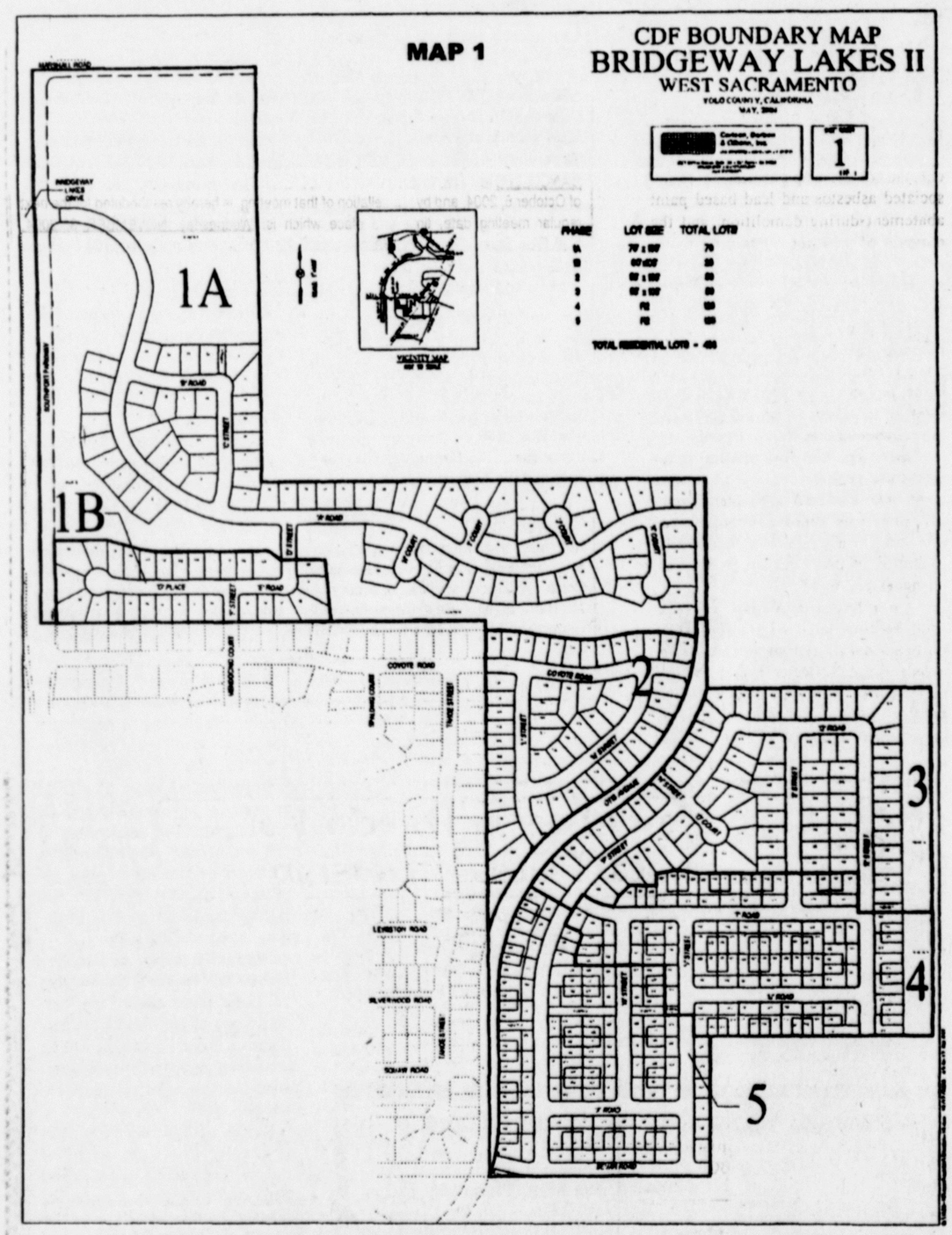
(2) Each Taxable Parcel to be classified as a Developed Parcel, or an Undeveloped Parcel.

B. Assignment of Maximum Annual Special Tax to Phases. The Maximum Annual Special Tax is assigned to each of the Phases (as shown on Map 1) using Attachment 1. Each Phase is assigned a number of estimated Units, based on the Bridgeway Lakes II Vesting Tentative Map. The Maximum Annual Special Tax for each Phase shown in Attachment 1 is calculated by multiplying the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit by the number of Units assigned to each Phase.

C. Assignment of Maximum Annual Special Tax to Developed Parcels. The Maximum Annual Special Tax is assigned to Developed Parcels using the following steps:

(1) If Phase Is Subdivided Only Into Single Family Residential Parcels. If a Phase shown on Map 1 is subdivided only into Single Family Residential Parcels, and the number of estimated Units shown in Attachment 1 is equal to or lesser than the Single Family Residential Parcels created by the Final Subdivision Map, the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit, as shown in Attachment 1, is assigned to each Single Family Residential Parcel. If the number of estimated Units shown in Attachment 1 is greater than the Single Family Residential Parcels created by the Final Subdivision Map, the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit is calculated by dividing the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Phase (as shown in Attachment 1) by the number of Units created by the Final Subdivision Map.

(2) If Phase Is Subdivided Into Single Family Residential Parcels and One or More Large Lot Parcels. When a Phase shown in Map 1 is subdivided into Single Family Residential Parcels and one or more Large Lot Parcels, the Maximum Annual Special Tax is assigned to the Single Family Residential Parcels and Large Lot Parcels created by the Subdi-



Attachment 1
City of West Sacramento
Community Facilities District No.20 (Bridgeway Lakes II)
Base Year Maximum Annual Special Tax For Phases [1]

Phases	Average Minimum Lot Size	Estimated Number of Units	2004-2005 Base Year Maximum Annual Special Tax	Base Year Maximum Annual Special Tax For Phase [2]
Single Family Residential Uses				
1A	7,350 sqft	79	$1,976	$156,104
1B	6,300 sqft	28	$1,820	$50,960
2	5,775 sqft	50	$1,560	$78,000
3	5,775 sqft	80	$1,560	$124,800
4	3,500 sqft	123	$1,350	$166,050
5	3,500 sqft	125	$1,350	$168,750
		485		$744,664
			per net acre	
Other Land Uses			$7,000	Note [3]

[1] The Base Year for the Maximum Annual Special Tax is FY 2004-2005.
[2] The Maximum Annual Special Tax will be escalated by the Tax Escalation Factor for 14 years beginning in FY 2004-2005, through FY 2018-2019, or until the first series of Bonds have been issued, whichever comes first.
[3] Only assigned to Parcels converted from single family residential land uses, whichever comes first.

vision in the following manner.

(a) Assign the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit for a Phase (as shown in Attachment 1) to each Single Family Residential Parcel created by the Final Subdivision Map.

(b) Subtract the number of Units created by the Final Subdivision Map from the estimated number of Units shown for the Phase in Attachment 1. The remaining Units are assigned to the Large Lot Parcel(s) by the Administrator using the Bridgeway Lakes II Vesting Tentative Map, or other records available.

(c) The Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Large Lot Parcel(s) is calculated by multiplying the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit for the Phase by the number of Units assigned to the Large Lot Parcel(s).

(d) If the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue from all Taxable Parcels created by the Subdivision of a Phase is less than the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Phase, as shown in Attachment 1, increase the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit for the Phase proportionally until the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue for all Parcels in the Phase is equal to the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Phase shown in Attachment 1.

(e) Using the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit calculated in Section 5.C(2)(d) instead of the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit as shown in Attachment 1, recalculate the Maximum Annual Special Tax for Single Family Residential Parcels and the Large Lot Parcel(s), beginning with Section 5.C(2)(a).

(3) If Phase Is Subdivided Only Into Large Lot Parcels. If a Phase shown on Map 1 is subdivided only into Large Lot Parcels, the Maximum Annual Special Tax is assigned to the Large Lot Parcels created in the following manner:

(a) Units are assigned to the Large Lot Parcels by the Administrator using the Bridgeway Lakes II Vesting Tentative Map, or other records available.

(b) The Maximum Annual Special Tax for each Large Lot Parcel is calculated by multiplying the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit by the number of Units assigned to each Large Lot Parcel.

(c) If the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue from all Taxable Parcels created by the Subdivision is less than the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Phase, as shown in Attachment 1, increase the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit for the Phase proportionally until the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue for all Parcels in the Phase is equal to the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Phase shown in Attachment 1.

(d) Using the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit calculated in Section 5.C(3)(c), instead of the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit as shown in Attachment 1, recalculate the Maximum Annual Special Tax for Large Lot Parcel(s), beginning with Section 5.C(3)(a).

D. Assignment of Maximum Annual Special Tax to Large Lot Parcels. A Large Lot Parcel that does not have a building permit is classified as an Undeveloped Parcel. The Maximum Annual Special Tax is allocated to Large Lot Parcels using the steps in Section 5.C(2) or Section 5.C(3) above. Substitute the term "Large Lot Parcel" where Sections 5.C(2) or 5.C(3) refer to "Phase" or "Phases."

E. Residential Unit/Maximum Annual Special Tax Transfer - the Maximum Annual Special Tax assigned to a Single Family Residential Parcel under Section 5.C may be adjusted to reflect a change in the number of estimated Units (as shown in Attachment 1) resulting from a transfer of Units from one Parcel to another Parcel if:

· any decrease in one Parcel's Maximum Annual Special Tax assignment is offset by an equal increase in the Maximum Annual Special Tax of other Parcels to ensure that there is no net loss in the total Maximum CFD Revenue; and,

· all adjustments are agreed to in writing by the owners of the Parcels involved in the transfer and the Administrator.

Such adjustment shall be made in the following manner:

(1) Calculate the existing Maximum Annual Special Tax per Unit by dividing the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Parcel by the number of Units assigned to that Parcel;

(2) Calculate the total Maximum Annual Special Tax being transferred by multiplying the number of Units being transferred by the calculation in Step 1. Add the total Maximum Annual Special Tax and number of Units being transferred to the Parcel(s) receiving the transferred Units and Maximum Annual Special Tax;

(3) Subtract the total Maximum Annual Special Tax and the number of Units being transferred, as identified in Step 2, from the Parcel transferring the Maximum Annual Special Tax and the Units.

F. Maximum Annual Special Tax Shift. If the assignment of Maximum Annual Special Taxes to Developed Parcels under Section 5.C, or through a transfer of Maximum Annual Special Tax under Section 5.E, results in different amounts of Maximum Annual Special Taxes between residential Subdivisions, the revised Maximum Annual Special Taxes may be shifted between Parcels further to accommodate a uniform Special Tax throughout the CFD. Such adjustments shall also be subject to the transfer conditions under Section 5.E above.

G. Assignment of Maximum Annual Special Tax Partial Prepayment Parcel. The Maximum Annual Special Tax for a Partial Prepayment Parcel is assigned by multiplying the Maximum Annual Special Tax from Attachment 1, or as otherwise calculated for a Developed Parcel, by the Partial Prepayment Factor for the Parcel.

H. Conversion of a Tax-Exempt Parcel to a Taxable Parcel. If a Tax-Exempt Parcel is converted to a Taxable Parcel, it shall become subject to the Special Tax. The Maximum Annual Special Tax for each such Parcel shall be based on the number of Units assigned to such Parcel and the Single Family Residential Average Minimum Lot Size assigned to the Parcel, or the Maximum Annual Special Tax per Net Acre for Other Land Uses, as shown in Attachment 1, for a the Fiscal Year.

I. Taxable Parcel Acquired by a Public Agency. A Taxable Parcel that is acquired by a public agency after the CFD is formed will remain subject to the applicable Special Tax unless the Special Tax obligation is satisfied pursuant to Section 53317.5 of the Government Code. An exception to this may be made if a Public Parcel, such as a school site, is relocated to a Taxable Parcel, in which case the previously Tax-Exempt Parcel of comparable acreage becomes a Taxable Parcel and the Maximum Annual Special Tax from the previously Taxable Parcel is transferred to the new Taxable Parcel. This trading of a Parcel from a Taxable Parcel to a Public Parcel will be permitted to the extent there is no net loss in Maximum CFD Revenue, and the transfer is agreed to by the owners of the Parcels involved in the transfer and the Administrator.

6. Setting the Annual Special Tax Rate for Taxable Parcels

The City shall calculate the Special Tax levy for each Taxable Parcel for each Fiscal Year as follows:

A. Compute the Annual Costs using the definition of Annual Costs in Section 2.

B. Calculate the Special Tax levy for each Taxable Parcel by the following steps:

Step 1: Compute 100% of the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue for all Developed Parcels.

Step 2: Compare the Annual Costs with the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue calculated in the previous step.

Step 3: If the Annual Costs are less than the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenue, decrease proportionately the Special Tax levy for each Developed Parcel until the Special Tax Revenue equals the Annual Cost.

Step 4: If the Annual Costs are greater than the Maximum Annual Special Tax revenue from Developed Parcels, levy a Special Tax proportionately on each Undeveloped Parcel to an amount equal to the amount of Annual Costs or until 100% of the Maximum Annual Special Tax is reached for such Undeveloped Parcels.

C. Levy on each Taxable Parcel the amount calculated above.

D. Prepare the Tax Collection Schedule, unless an alternative method of collection has been selected pursuant to Section 9 to be discussed, and send it to the County Auditor requesting that it be placed on the general, secured property tax roll for the Fiscal Year. The Tax Collection Schedule shall not be sent later than the date required by the Auditor for such inclusion.

The City shall make every effort to correctly calculate the Special Tax for each Parcel. It shall be the burden of the taxpayer to correct any errors in the determination of the Parcels subject to the tax and the assignment of the Special Tax to the Parcels.

As development and subdivision of CFD land uses take place, the City will maintain a file, available for public inspection, of each current County Assessor's Parcel Number within the CFD, its Maximum Annual Special Tax, and the Maximum Annual Special Tax Revenues for all Parcels within the CFD. This record shall show the calculation of the assigned Maximum Annual Special Tax to each Taxable Parcel.

7. Prepayment of Special Tax

A property owner may permanently satisfy the Special Tax on a Parcel by prepayment as permitted under Government Code Section 53344. Prepayment is permitted only under the following conditions:

· The prepayment is based on the prepayment for a Developed Parcel - even if the prepaying Parcel is an Undeveloped Parcel at the time of prepayment.

· The City determines that the prepayment of the Special Tax does not jeopardize its ability to make timely payments of Debt Service on outstanding bonds.

· The landowner prepaying the Special Tax on a Parcel has paid any delinquent Special Tax and penalties on that Parcel prior to Prepayment.

The Prepayment amount shall be established by following the steps in Part A and Part B below.

PART A FULL PREPAYMENT

Part A.1: Outstanding Bond Share

Step A.1.a Determine the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Parcel for which the Special Tax is to be fully prepaid by following the procedures in Section 5.

Step A.1.b Divide the Maximum Annual Special Tax from Step A.1.a by the Maximum CFD Revenue to arrive at the Benefit Share.

Step A.1.c Determine the Bond Share for the Parcel by multiplying the Benefit Share from Step A.1.b by the Outstanding Bonds. The Outstanding Bonds to be retired from Special Taxes that have been levied but not collected shall reduce the amount of Outstanding Bonds for purposes of calculating the Bond Share.

Step A.1.d Determine the Reserve Fund Share associated with the Bond Share calculated in Step A.1.c and reduce the Bond Share by the amount of the Reserve Fund Share.

Step A.1.e Add to the amount calculated in Step A.1.d any fees, call premiums, and expenses incurred by the City in connection with the prepayment calculation or the application of the proceeds of the prepayment to the call of bonds.

Part A.2: Remaining Facility Cost Share

Step A.2.a Determine the Total Facility Cost Share for the Parcel by multiplying the Benefit Share from Step A.1.b above by the Anticipated Construction Proceeds.

Step A.2.b Determine the share of facilities funded by bonds already issued by the CFD for the Parcel by multiplying the Benefit Share by the construction proceeds made available from all such bonds issued by the CFD. These amounts shall be adjusted to the year of prepayment by using the Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index.

Step A.2.c Determine the share of facilities funded with pay-as-you-go special tax revenues by multiplying the Benefit Share by the total amount of pay-as-you-go funding, if any, used to acquire or construct authorized facilities.

Step A.2.d Determine the remaining facility cost share for the Parcel by subtracting the results from Steps A.2.b and A.2.c from the Total Facility Cost Share determined in Step A.2.a. (Notwithstanding the above, once the City has issued all bonds for the CFD, the remaining facility cost share is set to zero for purposes of this prepayment calculation.)

Part A.3: Calculate Total Prepayment

Combine the amount from Step A.1.e with the amount from Step A.2.d to arrive at the full prepayment amount.

PART B PARTIAL PREPAYMENT

If the Prepayment is a Partial Prepayment, then the property owner shall designate an amount which is less than the full Prepayment amount determined above for the Parcel (or group of such Parcels) for which the Special Tax is to be partially prepaid but which, based upon a calculation provided by the Administrator, will provide sufficient funds for a bond call in a whole number multiple of $5,000. The Administrator shall determine the Partial Prepayment Factor by the following procedure:

Part B.1: Calculate the Full Prepayment Amount from Part A.3 above;

Part B.2: Subtract the amount of the Partial Prepayment from the Full Prepayment amount calculated in Part A above;

Part B.3: Subtract any fixed costs (such as the cost of the Prepayment calculation and other fees which do not vary proportionally with the size of the Prepayment) of the Prepayment from the Full Prepayment amount;

Part B.4: Divide the result of Step B.2 by the result of Step B.3 to arrive at the Partial Prepayment Factor. The Partial Prepayment Factor is used in decreasing the Maximum Annual Special Tax for the Parcel for which the Special Tax is partially prepaid;

Part B.5: If a Partial Prepayment has previously been made for this Parcel, multiply the result of Step B.4 times the previously calculated Partial Prepayment Factor.

8. Appeals

The Finance Director or designee has the authority to make necessary administrative adjustments to the Rate and Method of Apportionment in order to remedy any portions of the Special Tax formula that require clarification.

Any taxpayer who feels that the amount of the Special Tax assigned to a Parcel is in error may file a notice with the Administrator appealing the levy of the Special Tax as to that Parcel. The Administrator will then promptly review the appeal, and if necessary, meet with the applicant. If the Administrator verifies that the tax should be modified or changed, a recommendation at that time will be made to the Council and, as appropriate, the levy of the Special Tax as to that Parcel shall be corrected and, if applicable in any case, a refund shall be granted. Interpretations may be made by Resolution of the Council for purposes of clarifying any vagueness or ambiguity as it relates to the Special Tax rate, the method of apportionment, the classification of properties, or any definition applicable to the CFD.

9. Manner of Collection

The Special Tax will be collected in the same manner and at the same time as *ad valorem* property taxes, provided, however, that the City or its designee may directly bill the Special Tax and may collect the Special Tax at a different time, such as on a monthly or other periodic basis, or in a different manner, if necessary to meet its financial obligations.

Nov 3

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, 2nd floor, West Sacramento, California until **2:00 P.m. local time on Wednesday, November 17, 2004** for the:

Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint Abatement and the Demolition of the 1240 Merkley Avenue

Location, site and grading maps are attached in Appendix A.

Mandatory Site Walkthrough:

Site walkthroughs are scheduled on the following dates:

Tuesday, November 9, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

Friday, November 12, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

Note: Bids will not be accepted if you fail to attend any of the scheduled walkthroughs.

The proposed work consists of the following:

Description of Work: The work consists of the implementation of associated asbestos and lead based paint abatement during demolition, and the removal of asbestos containing materials, in accordance with the Environmental Consultant Report Recommendations, and removal from site the existing structures, foundations, concrete flatwork, planters, tables, benches, asphalt concrete pavement, parking area lights, any existing equipment, all trees, signs, miscellaneous trash and debris and miscellaneous site improvements.

In addition, the work shall also include the replacement of any pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter or public and private improvements removed or damaged as a consequence of the execution of this Contract, as well as, all necessary traffic control.

Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within **sixty-five (65)** calendar days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.

Obtaining Contract Documents: Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, 2nd Floor, West Sacramento, California. A copy of bid documents may be obtained at the office upon request and payment of $25.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of $30.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable.

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Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint Abatement and the Demolition of the Siesta Inn at 1731 West Capitol Avenue

Location, site and grading maps are attached in Appendix A in the bid package.

Mandatory Site Walkthrough:

Site walkthroughs are scheduled on the following dates:

? **Tuesday, November 9, 2004 at 1:00 p.m.**

? **Friday, November 12, 2004 at 1:00 p.m.**

Note: Bids will not be accepted if you fail to attend any of the scheduled walkthroughs.

The proposed work consists of the following:

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In addition, the work shall also include the replacement of any pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter or public and private improvements removed or damaged as a consequence of the execution of this Contract, as well as, all necessary traffic control.

Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within **forty-five (45)** calendar days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.

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Nov 3

NOTICE OF HEARING
November 18, 2004

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider the following matters on Thursday, November 18, 2004, at West Sacramento Civic Center, Council Chambers, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California, at the times as specified or as soon thereafter as the matters may be heard:

6:00 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT REGARDING NON-CONFORMING INDUSTRIAL USES ON SOUTH RIVER ROAD BETWEEN THE PIONEER BRIDGE AND THE BARGE CANAL.

The Planning Commission will consider amending General Plan Land Use Policy 10 which deals with existing non-conforming industrial uses along South River Road between U.S. 50 and the barge canal. The proposed changes would move up the date after which the existing uses could not be expanded nor new non-conforming uses approved. The amendment would also add a statement that the City shall explore all feasible means for accelerating the conversion of the existing non-conforming heavy industrial uses in the area. A Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact has been prepared for the project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. The Planning Commission will forward a recommendation to the City Council, who will take final action on this project. The applicant is the City of West Sacramento. (SP)

2. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE WEST SACRAMENTO ZONING ORDINANCE- This item looks at numerous amendments to the Zoning Ordinance including allowing commercial coaches for limited daycare use, making motels a conditional use in the Central Business District zone, shortening the schedule for amortization of non-conforming signs, allowing sandwich shops in industrial zones, adopting lighting standards, changes to permitted and conditional use in the Central Business District, clarifying the relative portion of office use in a commercial and industrial building, expediting the process for landscape substitutions and regulating the location of roof mounted equipments on new buildings as well as several other changes to the Zoning Ordinance. This item was heard by the Planning Commission in August and has been reviewed by the Chamber of Commerce and Zoning Task Force. The applicant is the City of West Sacramento (SR).

3. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED RIVERWALK AT WASHINGTON SQUARE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AT 217-231 3RD STREET (TSM-04-20)- The applicant proposes to develop "Riverwalk at Washington Square", a mixed-use project consisting of twenty-five single-family detached residences and a ±3,850 square foot mixed-use building containing ground floor commercial space with four apartment units on the second floor. The requested entitlements include a tentative subdivision map and planned development permit. In addition, the applicant will have to enter into a disposition and development agreement (DDA) with the Redevelopment Agency to acquire the property. The tentative subdivision map would create twenty-six parcels and one common area parcel. Underlying lots for the single-family homes and mixed-use building would be individually owned; common areas would be owned and maintained by a homeowners' association (HOA). APNs 10-101-03, -14, -15. OWNER: City of West Sacramento Redevelopment Agency, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. APPLICANT: Leonard Development Company, Inc., 2206 K Street, Suite 3, Sacramento, CA 95816. (DT)

Stephen M. Patek, Director
Community Development Department

If you challenge any of the above items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Nov 3

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION's** regularly scheduled public hearing of Wednesday, October 6, 2004, at 5:30 P.M. in Board Chambers, Sacramento County Administration Center, 700 H Street, Sacramento, California, **WILL NOT TAKE PLACE. THE MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER.** The item listed below was on the Agenda of October 6, 2004, and by cancellation of that meeting, is hereby rescheduled for the next regular meeting date, time and place which is: Wednesday, NOVEMBER 3, 2004, 5:30 P.M., Board Chambers, Sacramento County Administration Center, 700 H Street, Sacramento, California.

SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT AND ANNEXATION OF SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT LOWER NORTHWEST INTERCEPTOR SOUTH RIVER PUMP STATION SITE IN YOLO COUNTY INTO THE SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT. (LAFC 06-04) [CEQA: Addendum to Environmental Impact Report] [Sch Nos. 2001112085 and 2002092071]

Sacramento Municipal Utility District initiated the proposal by Resolution No. 03-07-09. The Public Utilities Commission has adopted Resolution No. E-3876 making findings on this matter. The Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District Lower Northwest Interceptor South River Pump Station Site, approximately 14.948 acres, a portion of APN: 044-020-050, is located in the unincorporated area of Yolo County, south of the City of West Sacramento and approximately 600 feet west of the Sacramento River.

All project information, including a certified copy of the Public Utilities Commission Resolution is on file with the Executive Officer of the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission and is available for public review in staff offices of the Commission, located at 1112 I Street, Suite #100, during regular business hours. For information regarding this matter, please call staff offices at (916) 874-6458, or visit our website at www.saclafco.org

Peter Brundage (916-874-5935) Executive Officer
Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission

News-Ledger Directory of Local Places of Worship

Anna Street Baptist Church Rev. Norman Pollitt, 371-6560 1400 Anna St., W. Sac. Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. http://www.forministry.com/95605ASBC	**Community Lutheran Church** Rev. Marjorie C. Beach, Pastor 920 Drever St. ■ 371-8804 10 a.m. Worship/Sunday School Friendly, family, inclusive language. The 'come as you are' church.	**Seventh Day Adventist Church** H. Eugene Miller, Pastor 334-9315 2860 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sac. PO Box 447, W. Sac. 95691 Sat. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. 372-6570
Trinity Presbyterian Church 1500 Park Blvd., W. Sac. Rev. Steve Whitney (916) 371-5875 Service: Sunday at 10 a.m. including children's programs.	**Holy Cross Catholic Church** 1321 Anna St. (near Todhunter) Rev. Chad Puthoff, SDS Sat. Vigil 5 p.m. (English) Sunday 9 (English) Noon & 7 p.m. (Spanish) Mon 8:30am, Tues-Wed 7am, Thurs. 6:45 (Spanish), Fri. 8:30 a.m. Call 371-1211	**First Southern Baptist Church** Rev. Gregory W. Kirk Sun. School 9:30 a.m. Sun. Worship 11am Wed. 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 2124 Michigan Blvd. 371-2111
SouthPort Community Church Pastor Bruce Maier Celebration Worship Sunday 10:30 a.m. KidLand during service. Youth & Small Group Ministry for All Ages. 2588 Industrial Blvd. 372-7818 www.southportcommunity.com	**WestSide Covenant Church** Worship Services at Collings Teen Center 1541 Merkley Ave. Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. www.westsidecov.org 371-3933	**Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church** 911 Park Blvd., 371-4814 Father James B. Walsh, Pastor Masses: Sat. Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9 & 10:30 a.m. Weekdays 7 a.m. No Mass on Thursday
Center for Spiritual Awareness 1020 W. Capitol Ave., 374-9177 Sun. services 8:30, 10 & 11 am Meditation room opens 30 minutes prior to services. Praise & worship 15 min. prior Junior church for all ages at 10 am & 11:45 am	**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints** 2667 Linden Road Bishop Ray Jackson, (916) 372-1113 Sunday Meeting Times: Sacrament Meeting, 9 a.m. PUBLIC WELCOME!	**New Discovery Christian Church** Meets at Southport Elementary School 2747 Linden Road at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Jerry Green (916) 600-3784

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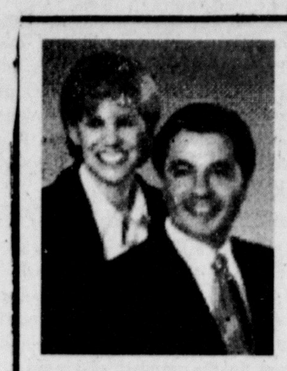
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Local Scene

SMUD or PG&E?

A new website provides information on the proposal to bring West Sacramento and other Yolo County areas into the utility district served by SMUD. The website is located at www.smudannexationstudy.com. When the feasibility study is complete, West Sacramento and other affected areas will hold public hearings on the issue.

'Tellabration'

The East Yolo Friends of the Library and Sacramento Storytellers Guild are holding a 'Tellebration' at the Arthur F. Turner Branch Library, 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento, at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 19. A great group of storytellers is expected to be on hand to entertain you. Designed for adults and children who can listen like an adult. The planned 90-minute program may be difficult for younger children. No charge; bring a friend.

Casino trip

The West Sacramento Senior Center is planning a bus trip to Jackson Casino on Nov. 23. Cost is $15. Call Irene, 373-5819.

Check out Masons

You're invited to learn more about West Sacramento's Masonic Lodge during a "Walk About" at 4 p.m. on Nov. 20 at 3260 Jefferson Blvd. The lodge has relationships with both youth groups and Shriners hospital. Refreshments and good fellowship at the Walk About. Call 362-7574 or 366-6048.

Videos to troops

Do you have a family member in the service stationed away from home? The computer graphics staff at All Phase Security, Inc., is offering to help you make a free video to be emailed to your loved one. Call 677-2234.

Ag water

An Agricultural Energy and Water Workshop will include presentations on the status of water quantity, quality and management in Yolo County on Nov. 9 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Yolo County Farm Bureau, 69 W. Kentucky Avenue in Woodland. Space is limited. To reserve a seat, call (530) 753-9425. No charge.

Storytime

Storytime for preschoolers begins in the month of November at the local library, 1212 Merkley Avenue. It will be held Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and is aimed at kids age 3-5. There will be storybooks, feltboard stories, fingerplays, arts and crafts. Call 375-6465.

Bingo & spaghetti

A special bingo night and spaghetti dinner is planned at the West Sacramento Elks Lodge, 423 Third Street, with doors opening at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20. Bingo starts at 6. $10 includes dinner and ten games. Prizes include turkeys and hams.

Volunteers?

The annual West Sacramento Christmas Basket Project, which brings holiday food baskets to needy families in December, is looking for volunteers. If you can help out in November or December, please call and leave your name and number at 372-3360. You may also call Linda at 373-1744 after 6 p.m. on weekdays.

Bingo

"Bingo for Baskets" includes a tostada lunch and starts at noon on Sunday, Nov. 7, at the West Sacramento Veterans of Foreign Wars hall on Drever Street. $10 includes lunch and 15 games. Bingo prizes valued at $25-$50 as well as door prizes. Bring a friend and your dauber. Sponsored by Soroptimist International and benefiting local service projects. Call 371-4268 for tickets. Future bingo dates are Feb. 13 and April 3.

Heroes

The American Red Cross will honor individuals and groups in Yolo County who have made a difference locally, saved a life or impacted others through teaching or helping with Red Cross programs. Nominations are due by Nov. 8 for the "Heroes Luncheon" heroes. Call (530) 662-4669 for more information.

Adult sports

The West Sacramento Parks Department is holding an "open gym" basketball program for people over age 18 at River City High School, every Sunday from Oct. 3 to Dec. 12. The play lasts from 5-7 p.m., and cost is $1 per player. For more information, call 617-4500.

Dinner & bunco

Holy Cross Altar Society will present "Dinner & Bunco Nite" on Sat., Nov. 6, with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are $15 per person and include dinner and bunco games. Only 200 tickets will be sold – reserve yours early by calling Jenny Puga, 371-3861.

Lamp exchange

Exchange your old, inefficient halogen "torchiere" lamp for a FREE energy-efficient compact fluorescent torchiere on Sat., Nov. 20, between 10 a.m. and noon at the Nugget market, 2000 Town Center Plaza (at Jefferson and Lake Washington) in West Sacramento. Open to Yolo County residence with proof of an electrical utility account. Used, working-condition lamps are accepted. For more information, see www.yoloenergy.org. Sponsored by the Yolo Energy Efficiency Project.

Interfaith

Representatives of different faith traditions are invited to the monthly brown-bag lunch meeting of the West Sacramento Interfaith Gathering on Friday, Nov. 12, at 11:30 a.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Todhunter and Anna streets.

Clean-up

The West Sacramento Interfaith Gathering plans its annual city cleanup effort on Saturday, Nov. 13, meeting at 9 a.m. at the Center for Spiritual Awareness, 1020 West Capitol Ave. for a two-hour effort by the riverfront. Call 798-8724 for more information.

Thanksgiving

All are welcome to the Thanksgiving Worship service at 7 p.m. on Wed., Nov. 17, planned by the West Sacramento Interfaith Gathering and held at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Anna and Todhunter streets. Representatives from different faith traditions will lead the service, with a member of the Baha'I faith sharing the message. Call 798-8724.

College testing

College-bound students can take the ACT assessment on Dec. 11. Deadline for postmark registration is Nov. 5. Test fee is $28, and the exam rates achievement in English, reading, math and science. Visit www.actstudent.org or speak with a school guidance counselor.

Preschool survey

A campaign to bring universal preschool opportunity to West Sacramento wants local parents of kids age 3-4 to take a few moments to answer a 12-question survey. Visit https://www.ci.west-sacramento.ca.us/upksurvey/default.cfm

Golden Years

The Golden Years Club of West Sacramento will hold a catered Thanksgiving dinner at the VFW Hall, 905 Drever Street, on Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 5:30 p.m. Cost is $5 for members and $10 for guests. Call 371-8479 or 371-8126 for reservations before Nov. 12. The club serves people age 50 and over.

High school math

Kids can't graduate from high school without passing an exit exam that includes math. Ms. Higgins, chair of the River City High School math department, will speak to interested parents about math requirements for this exam, for college, and beyond, at 7 p.m. on Nov. 16 at the school library.

Spaghetti feed

The junior class at River City High School will hold a spaghetti feed at the Moose Lodge on Jefferson Blvd. (south area) on Nov. 19. Cost is $7 for adults and $5 for students and kids 12 and under. Proceeds will help pay for events and scholarships. For event time and other information, contact the campus.

College info

River City High School will offer college information to freshmen, sophomores and juniors (and their parents) at a presentation at 6:30 p.m. on Wed., Nov. 10, in the school cafeteria. Learn about different colleges' requirements.

Across the Bridge':

Events around the West Sacto region

Genealogy society meets

The Genealogical Association of Sacramento will meet at 1 p.m. on November 17th at the Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Drive in Sacramento. The program will be "Cemetery Research". Visitors and new members are welcome. For more information call 689-4524.

Thanksgiving at Fairytale Town

Fairytale Town, located inside William Land Park in Sacramento, will offer free admission on November 26th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. as a special thanks to their visitors and a way to burn off everyone's Thanksgiving Feast in a safe, fun and colorful place. For more information call 264-5233.

New production at SCC

City Theatre at Sacramento City College will present *Return to the Forbidden Planet* through December 12th. Performances will be held in the Art Court Theatre at SCC, 3835 Freeport Boulevard in Sacramento. For ticket information and performance schedules call 558-2228.

Women's conference

On November 3rd, more than 3,000 are expected at the Professional Business Women of California conference to be held at the Sacramento Convention Center. There will be more than 100 exhibitors and 60 speakers. PBWC is dedicated to empowering women to achieve their professional and personal vision by providing tools, education, and training. For registration information call 650-548-2424.

Holiday craft faire

The Sacramento Historic Sites Association in cooperation with California State Parks will hold a holiday craft fair on the State Indian Museum grounds at 2618 K Street in Sacramento on November 26-27 from 10 am to 4 pm. There will be jewelry, artwork, needlework, carvings, beadwork and much more. Admission is $2. For more information call 324-0971. A

New exhibit at Crocker Art Museum

Sacramento's Crocker Art Museum will present "Neo Mod: Recent Northern California Abstraction" from November 20 to January 30. The new exhibit will feature works about the contemporary cultural environment which unite tradition with innovation.

The Crocker Art Museum was founded in 1885 and is located at 216 O Street in downtown Sacramento. For more information call 264-5423.

Food drive

Throughout November you can bring a non-perishable food item to the Sacramento Zoo and receive $1 off the regular admission price. The food collected will help children, seniors, battered women, the homeless and the disabled. The Sacramento Zoo is located near the corner of Land Park Drive and Sutterville Road in William Land Park and is open daily from 10 am to 4 pm.

Napa holiday faire

The 32nd Annual "Gifts 'n Tyme Holiday Faire" will be held at the Napa Valley Exposition at 575 Third Street in Napa on November 19-21. This is a time to get your holiday shopping done early and the Greater Napa Valley Lions club will be offering their homebaked cookies. For more information call 925-372-8961.

YMCA childcare

Need a fun place for your child to play and learn during the day? Have you considered the YMCA? The YMCA offers licensed childcare for children ages 3 months to 12 years of age. The programs operate five days a week. The cost varies depending on the age of your child. Call 452-9622 ext. 111 for more information on locations and prices.

View wildlife

Enjoy a self-guided hike to the wildlife viewing platform of Stone Lakes National Wildlife Refuge on November 13th and 27. You will see birds of prey and other grassland wildlife. To reach the refuge trail head, take Interstate 5 to the Elk Grove Boulevard exit, turn west, and park; the refuge entrance is adjacent to the highway. Dress for October weather and for more information call 775-4420.

Folsom History Museum

Opening October 23rd and continuing through Feburary of next year the Folsom History Museum will host an extensive exhibit in conjunction with the Sacramento Art Deco Society. A variety of objects will be on display including toys, sheet music, figurines and much more.

The Folsom History Museum is located at 823 Sutter Street.For more information, call 985-2707.

Dude ranch visits

If you are planning a vacation for yourself or your family, visiting a dude ranch might be just what you're looking for. For information you can visit www.duderanch.org or contact The Dude Ranchers' Association, PO Box 2307, Cody, WY 82414 for a free directory of over 100 dude ranches in 12 western states and two Canadian provinces.

Farm sanctuary opens

Farm Sanctuary, America's premier farm animal shelter, will begin its 2004 season on April 3rd. Visitors will have an opportunity to meet hundreds of rescued farm animals. Tours will be conducted every hour from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays through the end of November.

From I-5, take the Orland exit marked Chico/CA-32. Turn west off the freeway. Travel approximately nine miles and you'll see the farm sanctuary on the right at 19080 Newville Road.

Alzheimer's society meets

The Alzheimer's Aid Society of Northern California Support Group for the Memory Impaired will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday in November at 10:30 a.m. at the Alzheimer's Aid Society Office, 2641 Cottage Way, Suite #4 in Sacramento. For more information, call 448-7001.

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Long term care insurance is one of the best ways to help protect your financial security if you or a loved one requires care. A number of different plans and options are available to meet your needs. I can give you details on the costs, benefits, limitations and exclusions, and help determine the best plan for you.

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